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AN AUTUMN SUNSET AT CAESAR'S HEAD.

By John Lake.

The head is Caesar's, but the heart is God's!
The forest's heart—sweet nature's heart—
is His;
And blind the eye and dead the soul that
finds
No God in all these mountain mysteries!
The roar and argent of the waterfall;
The azure veil of distant hill and sky—
God's heraldry emblazoned over all—
Proclaim the lordship of the King on high.

When, gold and russet of the forest's gown
Reflecting gold and crimson from the west,
Earth draws her leafy coverlet of brown,
The day, the year, are sinking to their
rest—
The glorious sunset o'er yon mountain home,
The glorious autumn colors of the wild,
But God, at evening, calling gently, "Come"
Thy Father's evening call, O wandering
child!

Now autumn sunset, and the autumn skies.
Ablaze with all the colors of the bow—
Then spring will come, and many a glad sun-
rise:
And while the days and seasons come and
go,
God is, and God is here—He made the hills,
And all their myriad dwellers, now, of
yore:
We render unto Caesar his, a name,
And unto God, praise, praise forevermore!

SPIRITUALISM.

Conan Doyle, the English writer, has invaded our country with his campaign for the spread of Spiritualism, and is giving seances in which he alleges communications are had with the dead. There is much which can not be denied nor confirmed in many well authenticated spirit phenomena; and scientific discoveries may reveal many startling facts. But here as elsewhere there is "a science falsely so called," which regards a human medium as a sufficient point of contact with a spirit agent. That is not even scientific. There can not be a physical sense perception of spiritual objects. There can be a spiritual perception of that which is spiritual. But the Word of God has given us all the information concerning these things which we need to know. By prayer we can have communion with Christ and the Heavenly Father; and it is singular that most of modern spiritualists do not employ this means of approach to the spiritual world. Do they seek communion with spirits other than divine, with which their own nature is attuned?

QUIBBLING.

It is time that Southern Baptists give pre-eminence to matters of first importance, and give a minor consideration to matters of less moment. Personal jealousies, petty differences, hair-splitting distinctions as to historical data, are food for the reactionary and the belligerent, but they are scant provisions for the active, optimistic worker. Our Baptist Press must free itself from the atmosphere of the ranter, the quibbler, the polemic who loves the smoke of battle and the smell of his brother's blood, the sensationalist who revels in a deluge of abuse which adds to his own publicity supplies. The great world-tasks to which we are called should loom large on the horizon of our interests. We must not be willing to spend valuable time making chicken-coops when we should be engaged in empire building. Carping criticism and unjust discriminations are divisive and hurtful: they are a source of vast evil. Let us be done with little things—those things which are small in their value and significance. Only small souls find them congenial.

CATHOLICS AND METHODISTS.

Under the very shadows of St. Peter's Cathedral in Rome, Italy, the shrine of Roman Catholicism, the Methodists propose to erect a magnificent house of worship. Catholics are incensed by the project, and are trying with all their might to defeat the plan. They say that the territory belongs to them, and that the Methodists are encroaching on their ground! This is an echo of their doctrine of a State religion, and a worldly power. It is a puny argument to advance in these later days. The field is the world, including Rome and every part of it. How different is their attitude toward the Methodists from that of most Christians in this country toward each other, when a church is to be erected in a community—where the new edifice is welcomed as a civic improvement at least, and where all well-wishers of every creed "chip in." As for us, the freedom of American fellowships will do very well.

A GOOD INVESTMENT.

Many of our churches regularly include in their budgets the expenses of their pastors to the State and Southern Baptist Conventions. We commend the plan most heartily to all the churches. It is one of the best investments they can make: the better service which the pastors render by reason of having attended the meetings, and the closer relationship in which they are brought to their people by such consideration at their hands, more than compensate the churches for their outlay in this direction.

THE POWER OF PRAISE.

A little word of praise—what joy it brings,
And how it cheers the very soul of things!
'Mid starless night, 'mid sunless day,
'Mid dust and thorns along life's way,
A word of praise—and lo!
About us lilies blow!

A little word of praise—how quickly said,
How far its kindly influence is shed!
The pain, the grief, corroding care,
Life's loneliness, so hard to bear;
A word of praise—and then
The world is glad again!

A little word of praise—we cannot know
The bounds to which the spoken thought may
go;
For words have wings of woe or weal,
And thoughts have power to harm or
heal;
A word of praise—a gem
In Fortune's diadem!

A little word of praise—so short the time
Ere it will be too late to heed this rhyme;
Go forth and find some weary soul
Where ranging seas of sorrow roll;
A word of praise—and "Peace!"
Shall bid the tempest cease.
—Clarence Urmy.

Y. W. C. A. AND WOMEN PREACHING.

In announcements concerning the Young Women's Christian Association Convention, to be held in Hot Springs, Ark., April 20 to 27, Nancy Woods Walburn, Director of Newspaper and Magazine Publicity, says, "Maude Royden, the foremost woman preacher of the world today is to be one of the principal speakers." Thus the Y. W. C. A. puts itself on record as favorable to woman preaching. Of course, the principal speakers of any general Y. W. C. A. program would be women, but to advertise a woman preacher is entirely another matter. It is time that orthodox churches have an understanding with the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. as to their alignment with the general policies of the churches. Already the New York headquarters of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. has assumed an independence that is startling, and has become a law and order unto itself. The "Y" still pleads for financial assistance from communities, and in many places assumes the role of eleemosynary institution, and yet seldom does a young man or young woman get privileges at the "Y" except at the regular rate. The churches must reckon with the "Y" or it will reckon with them.

More Bibles in the schools and fewer Bibles needed in the jails.

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EDITORIAL

THE MARTYRDOM OF THE CROSS.

Not every self-sacrifice for a worthy cause is martyrdom of the highest type: it must be a Cause which is worthy of such a sacrifice. "Though I give my body to be burned, and have not love, it profiteth me nothing:" that is, I have done nothing sacrificial but rather something suicidal. One can suffer in behalf of his own notions or interests, and be thoroughly consistent with everything selfish and illiberal. Whether he suffers at his own hand or at the hands of others; and whether the effect of his sufferings make for the improvement or the deterioration of society, their character are the same in his own experience.

Pioneering is attended by lonesomeness and privations. The life that advances very far is likely to be separated from its closest associates by a distance more or less annoying and uncomfortable. Frequently an advanced thinker is subject to a popular criticism that inflicts painful penalties and causes him great mental distress. But he is not a martyr except as he may be regarded as an offering to the cause of intellectual progress.

There are among us men who aspire to positions of leadership in thought, and whose misfortunes, received in such pursuit, are accepted by them as the necessary accompaniments of that self-sacrifice which they deem it proper, as well as lawful, for them to make for the good of the world! This attitude characterizes some Biblical scholars in modern times who regard progressive thinking as the greatest boon, and seem willing to sacrifice even their reputation for orthodoxy on that altar.

But that is not the martyrdom of the Cross. Paul said to Timothy, "Yea, all who shall live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." Those who live the positive life in

Christ will be so set apart, and so distinguished from others that they will be misunderstood and maligned by them. This experience has its basis in conviction instead of ambition: it relates itself to life instead of thought: it is advanced living instead of advanced thinking—in fact it may not be distinguished by intellectual excellency at all.

We are not apostles of any "new thought;" but we do stand for new experiences; for progress in our relations to Christ and in our loyalty to him. There is plenty of room to suffer martyrdom there, should one aspire to the martyr's crown. When the scholar makes an offering of himself to the world's knowledge of God, as valuable as his service may be to the cause of truth, he comes in for a currying at the hands of others who are ready to present some knowledge of their own getting. But when one gives himself to the work of saving men and to the betterment of life, he rises above the level of all selfish ambitions, intellectual or otherwise, and is characterized by the ideal and spirit of the Cross.

Our Lord was a teacher but he was more than a teacher: He could never have saved the world by advanced thinking nor by presenting advanced thought. He gave Himself a ransom. He lived ahead of His contemporaries and their successors because he lived entirely for them: so that when He died, He died for them. The men who are helping to establish the cause of Christ in the earth are self-givers, not intellectual pioneers and martyrs; they excel in character rather than in mind.

He is most advanced in his thinking who limits the range of his thinking to that which has been revealed in God's word, and is content to lay the fruits of the mind on the altar of Christ, and pay tribute to life as the area of service and the realm of real excellence or demerit. Let the plane of life be elevated ever so high, advanced ever so far! God give us men who will excel in that direction!

A WORTHY OFFER.

The Baptist church at Trezevant, Tenn., is characterized by a fine spirit of loyalty to the Campaign, as is evidenced by the following notice which was found by Drs. Wilson and Burnett, during the visit to that town, placarded on the stores and in public places. Brethren Hillsman and Ryan are active business men of the place, Brother Ryan having in recent years been converted from Roman Catholicism.

This church has five young women and one young man at college training for Foreign fields and also three ministerial students who will soon graduate.

(Copy of Poster)

To all the pledgers to the 75 Million Campaign that may be concerned.

We the undersigned will arrange the loan and will sign a note with any pledgers who have subscribed to the worthy cause in the above caption that have a desire to pay their pledge and do not have the ready means. The books for the year will close on April 30, and prompt action is necessary. Any

others desiring to do so are invited to affix their signatures below.

(Signed) B. H. Hillsman,
John J. Ryan, Jr.,

L. R. Riley, pastor Trezevant Baptist church.

RIDGECREST.

The development of Ridgecrest, North Carolina, as our Southern Baptist Assembly, should receive particular consideration at the hands of Southern Baptist at this time. It is under the control of our Education Board; and much will be done even though that Board does not have the assistance of a wide-spread sentiment for its support. The denomination has too much invested in property there to allow anything less than the best denominational uses made of the plant. What has been done makes it needful to do more; else it will not come to perfect fruition.

Perhaps as a Summer colony, we may regard it with special appreciation. It will be worth while should it never become anything more than that. And as such, it is distinguished from a playground. It must be maintained as a power plant where our people may go for vigor, enthusiasm and help in their labor for the Lord. Since the summer months are the season for vacations, it is possible for Ridgecrest to make large use of the recreational spirit and habits of our people. But it must offer delights superior to those of mountain climbing, beautiful scenery and invigorating air: its mission is to provide relaxation by affording an opportunity for work which is free from ordinary resistance and which can be done "while you rest." It is to provide a frolic for those who revel in worthy tasks. It is a Mecca for such pilgrims as turn aside from their customary labor to reinforce their strength by new efforts under other and, for the time, less arduous circumstances than usual.

The program for the coming summer is a good one. The change in administration has necessarily caused some modifications in its schedule. But the Board of Education has rendered a great service in the feast which has been provided for this year. The coming seasons will doubtless be better still.

But Ridgecrest should be an all-year development. The buildings there which are in use during the summer are idle all the rest of the year. They belong to us, and their value represents sacrifice on the part of many of our people. Shall the greatest results be achieved? We think it entirely practicable to secure them.

It has been suggested by the Biblical Recorder that the New Theological Seminary, when it shall be established, might be located there. In many respects, the situation would be exceptionally desirable for that purpose. The only argument which could be effectively used against it would be the comparative scarcity of Baptist churches within easy reach of Ridgecrest, the care of which would be available to students who would be in need of doing work in connection with their studies, for both financial and practical reasons. There would be very little local work to be done. The Seminary should be located where churches are on all sides, and are easily and inexpensively available.

Our suggestion for Ridgecrest is that of the establishment of a high grade preparatory school for girls. We do not have such an institution in the South; and for want of it, we are losing many of the girls from the more well-to-do families. We may insist that rich men should be willing to send their daughters to secondary schools which are graded down within reach of the average purse, but because of their pride, be it commendable or otherwise, many of them will not do so. But they would patronize an expensive, well equipped institution which offers such accommodations as will comport suitably with their surroundings at home.

Such a school would not come into competition with others which we have already in the mountains adjacent to Ridgecrest. They would be a complement, the one to the other; and together would constitute a system of secondary schools which would adequately take care of our preparatory pupils of all classes.

Of course such an institution would be under the fostering care of the Board of Education at Birmingham; and would be the twin of the Summer Schools held by the Board at Ridgecrest every year. The situation lends itself easily to a development of that sort. But whether the Theological Seminary, or a high grade preparatory school for girls, or something else; we insist that there should be established at Ridgecrest some year-round denominational agency which will secure to the Baptist of the South full returns on the developments which have been made already.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST REPRESENTATIVE IN RUSSIA.

By Hoyt N. Porter.

"We thank you!" "We thank you!" I have no idea how many times I heard these words, with other expressions of gratitude and fellowship, in the six days I was in Saratov. I went down from Moscow, which is the center just now of everything worth while in Russia, to this center of plague and starvation, to see whether the District Committee there was organizing and preparing properly to handle the food and clothing shipments we were to make through the American Relief Administration. Our first order of food had not arrived, but fortunately I arrived in time to help untangle a little snarl over the distribution of clothing from the Northern Baptists, consigned to the A. R. A. for general distribution, and by them assigned to Saratov District. The district supervisor had called in the Baptist committee to distribute this, following out the instructions for the distribution of Southern Baptists' clothing drawn up by the Executive in Moscow and Dr. Everett Gill, jointly, which did not of course exactly fit this case. I authorized the A. R. A. people to allocate this shipment as the committee wished, though, as I explained, technically, it was not necessary. But in view of the fact that it was turned over to the Baptists for distribution, I told them I would allocate all my own shipments to other districts. But in addition to helping the committee work out their problems in connection with this matter, I instructed

them regarding the handling of food shipments, acting as "go-between" for them and the A. R. A. district staff, who proved to be very helpful, and glad to cooperate in all matters involved.

One young brother on the committee had come from a point 175 miles away by rail, and represented a great district in the interior which must be supplied by sled transportation, with horses and camels, requiring trips of a week or so in some cases. I may say that I have not seen a wheeled vehicle in Russia, except a few motor trucks in the cities—the ground is covered with snow throughout the winter. In Saratov District the A. R. A. is feeding 230,000 children, and the supervisor thinks they have already reached their first goal of preventing child mortality. And yet this leaves many more thousands who cannot be fed—because their families have a little food left—to live their pitiful days through on half rations, till they fall a prey to disease, or are permanently stunted. And that is leaving out of consideration also the hundreds of thousands of adults who do not get even the single meal a day that their children get, and uncounted numbers of whom must die, leaving the latter orphans. In the interior district of which I spoke, there are great Baptist Communities, with sometimes 60 or 70 per cent Baptist population, I was told. This young brother who represented them, Kolyesnikoff by name—a promising young preacher brother, though converted only three or four years ago—contended doggedly for a larger allotment of clothing, as he told how, with 3,000 members in extreme need, some had already died of starvation, including one preacher brother; and the bodies and faces of many others had begun to swell, which is one of the last agonizing stages. They have divided the population into three groups for statistical purposes: Those who have nothing; second, those who have no bread (any sort of grain, including sunflower seed) but still have a few vegetables, on which they subsist pitifully for a time; third, those who still have a little bread left. But the first class is being constantly increased from the second and the third already, very very small, is ever dwindling—passing over into the second. And as I thought of the days that must elapse before our comparatively small shipments of food began to be delivered in Saratov; the further days of unimaginably slow railroad transportation to Nova Uzensk, the district distributing point; then the slow and painful overland journeys in a district where most of the animals have already been killed for food, or sold off to purchase breadstuffs, or for lack of feedstuff, I wondered how many of our brethren must die in those terrible weeks of waiting. I happened to see the membership list of one church of 159 members, 119 were put in the first class, and 40 in class two, not one in class three.

December 1 the reports from the churches in Russia indicated 25,000 Baptists hungry. God alone knows how many would be counted now—perhaps twice as many by the time this is printed. American corn is coming, to feed adults—a pound a day per person. But even those millions of bushels when spread out all over a district so large will reach but

a small percentage of the total famine population. And remember, that means only dry grain—not a grain of sugar, not an ounce of fat. And when I think of the earnest, careful brethren in charge of affairs in Saratov; the beautiful unity of spirit always, the earnest exhortation; the wonderful singing, without instrumental accompaniments; the love of gratitude manifested by scores of individuals for the hands of fellowship extended across the sea; and when I think further of the reports of the whiteness of the harvest fields all over Russia, and the unexampled growth of the churches in the past four or five years, and the scarcity of laborers; and seeing interest apparent in the big Sunday night meeting in a great hall in Saratov, rented by the evening: I wonder "How many must we lose, of such as these, in remote districts all over the country, out of reach from the agencies of help?" But over here, one can only ask silently, "O God, how long?"

Moscow, Russia.

WHAT SHALL YOUR ANSWER BE?

By J. F. Love, Cor. Secy.

The spring campaign is so intense and its success so exceedingly important, the Foreign Mission Board is not saying much about relief work, and yet there is continually pouring in on our desk the most pitiful stories of suffering in Russia. A large district in China is also in the grip of another famine which is slaying multitudes. The Board's regular receipts amount to only 70 per cent of the receipts of last year. This threatens our foreign mission work with a debt before the present year is out. The Board cannot out of its reduced receipts contribute out of its general funds to relief without seriously imperiling our great foreign mission enterprise which has reached a glorious stage in its progress. If all Campaign pledges were paid, the Board could out of its general receipts save the lives of thousands.

We must give the facts to the brotherhood and sisterhood and trust them individually in the fear of God and on their conscience before a world of distress and in imperiled Christian enterprise, to do their duty. A little sacrifice by every one of us would take care of the situation, save our foreign mission program, and save the lives of millions who are hungry unto death.

For the benefit of those who have paid their Campaign pledges and feel that they can still suffer something for those who are starving, we quote from Russia:

"From one of these churches in the enclosed list, Brother Shershneff, Melitopol, writes that so many people die from famine that they cannot be buried in the regular way. The corpses are collected from houses and, naked on the sleds, are taken away by heaps."

We could fill every column of the paper with incidents as pathetic as the above, but we dare not.

A Fidelis class was organized at Centennial church, Nashville, April 23, with Mrs. R. L. Barnes as teacher and Mrs. W. A. Mallory president.

Contributions

"THE BAPTIST WORLD."

By D. G. Whittinghill.

It will be remembered that the Baptist Congress in London in 1920 recommended the foundation of the "Baptist World." As a member of the Committee on Literature I had the honor of moving the publication of a periodical with the above name. Since the time is drawing near for the two Baptist Conventions in America to decide this matter, a few words to the Baptist public in favor of the publication may be in order. In the first place its immediate need is evident for the following reasons: (1) It will greatly help us to more quickly occupy our great mission fields in Europe. The dissolution of autocratic governments, the rapid growth of democratic principles, the separation of Church and State already proclaimed in several old and new states and the great spiritual needs of hungry multitudes make Europe an immense field for our propaganda. In this connection let it be remembered that the invading influence of the Vatican in the new states of Eastern Europe cannot be ignored by us without great harm. There is no adequate way at present to occupy these countries with our limited force of men and means except by the press. Its importance cannot easily be exaggerated. The immense influence of the Socialist Clerical parties in Italy and other European countries is due almost entirely to the use of literature. Our experience in Italy with our review, *Bilychnis*, has been most flattering. Today Baptists are better known, especially among the better classes, than any other denomination. By means of our books and four periodicals (including *Bilychnis*) we have acquired a great many influential friends who are numbered by the thousands. A great majority of these would never enter a Protestant church even if an opportunity presented itself, but our literature they willingly read. The fact that Pope Benedict put two of our reviews under ban as "dangerous" shows that our publications have considerable value. (2) It would become a bond of union between the various Baptist bodies of the world. Thirteen Baptist families are entirely too many for civilized Baptists to manage, they cost too much and they tread on each others' toes. There is already too much disposition now to make a distinction where there is no difference. Would not this organ enable us to know and love each other more? The visits of Baptist representatives to our brethren in Europe since the armistice have done much to unify and encourage us in the midst of great difficulties. If a few personal visits could do so much, why would not a periodic visit from a well edited paper or magazine accomplish great good especially in Europe? We of Europe are subjected to all kinds of temptations, where the very atmosphere is permeated with crass ignorance, superstition, rationalism, rank infidelity and moral corruption. Even among so-called Christians, we have, besides

various kinds of Catholics, "Holy Rollers," "Pentecostals," Spiritualists, Radicals and "Bolsheviks," all of whom need to be kept "in the middle of the road" after their conversion. This enormous work cannot be done now by the few "missionaries," native pastors and limited number of local denominational papers at our disposal. We need a central organ to give the note which could serve as a kind of "clearing house" for the Baptists throughout the world. Such an organ ought to furnish us with information, inspire us with hope, and teach us progressively the essential doctrines of Christianity.

The character of the periodical:

(1) It should be a good sized monthly like the "Atlantic Monthly" of Boston or the "Outlook" of New York.

(2) As the three great Baptist bodies of the world—the two Conventions in America and the English Baptists will necessarily have to finance the publication, it should be published in a neutral place like Washington or some European capital.

(3) The editorial work ought not to be done by one man. He should have a committee to assist him, with associate editors and correspondents in all the principal countries in the world and especially in Europe.

(4) Its program ought to be well planned and faithfully followed. The periodical should have a place in its columns for the discussion of the following topics: New Testament doctrines, distinctive Baptist principles, apologetics, Church and Baptist history, Christian and theological education, Sunday Schools, Church finance, Missions, Social questions (such as alcoholism, personal purity, etc.), the politics and work of the Vatican (the greatest adversary of European Baptists), general news letters from accredited correspondents, sermons, book-reviews, official communications from various Baptist bodies throughout the world, orphanages, hospitals, young people's work, and other matters of denominational interest.

There are some possible objections to the publication of the "Baptist World" which, to my mind, do not outweigh the advantages:

(1) The question of the language need not disturb the serious-minded. English is fast becoming the universal language. The London Conference was a proof that English is used practically by all educated people. At least nineteen-twentieths of the subscribers will be English speaking.

(2) The cost would be considerable and the periodical would probably need subsidizing. What if it did? Could a more worthy cause be found? Missionary work is not supposed to be a money-making enterprise but it is pre-eminently soul-saving. In new fields of labor such as we have lately assumed, no investment of money will bear quicker fruit than that spent for Christian literature.

(3) There will probably be some objection on the part of our state-papers to this periodical. There is little reason for opposition. The state papers cannot do the work proposed for the "Baptist World." On the contrary, the state or local papers could use much matter furnished by the Baptist World central organ. This periodical would tend rather to increase than to diminish the circulation of the state papers which would be

brought into touch with the rest of the world. Even if the state papers should suffer a little material loss at the outset, it would be a worthy sacrifice as it would help to create a more efficient Baptist literature for the salvation of the sons of men and a visible bond between the Baptists of the world.

Rome, March 20, 1922.

BRINGING THE DEAD SEA TO LIFE.

By B. P. Robertson.

The Dead Sea has always been used as an illustration, by the ministers, of a person who always receives without giving as dead—while he liveth. The project which is now on foot to run a tunnel from the Mediterranean to the Dead Sea, which will pass under the city of Jerusalem, will bring the Dead Sea, to life again. The tunnel will turn some of the waters of the Mediterranean Sea into the Dead Sea and change its nature so that it will sustain life. Then the desert planes around the Dead Sea will become fertile again as in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah. Then because of the descent from the Mediterranean to the Dead Sea, water turbines will be placed along the way and electricity sufficient to light all Palestine and drive all its machinery for manufacturing that it may be possible to establish this project will make Palestine and the Jordan valley a new country in every way. Jerusalem will then become a great manufacturing center in the East and the ideal city of the New East. The scheme seems perfectly feasible and I have no doubt will be accomplished. This will give the Zionist movement a new impetus and will assure it permanent success. Then travel over Palestine will be made easy through valley lines because this source of power will assume these other conveniences. Every Bible student and all who are interested in the land of the Book will hail this news with delight.

Alexandria, Egypt, April 8, 1922.

CAN THE EIGHTEEN BATTLESHIPS BE SCRAPPED?

A discussion that is of importance from several points of view, and not least from that of the taxpayer, is going on in naval circles as to whether the battleship should be discarded in favor of the airplane. The Army and Navy Journal for February 25 has as its leader an article by Capt. Dudley W. Knox, U. S. N., on this issue. Captain Knox supports the traditional viewpoint that the battleship is still the "backbone of the fleet" but he makes this statement:

"Such eminent officers as Admiral Fullman, General Mitchell, and even Admiral Sims, are among the many who have made extravagant claims recently for the value of airplanes in naval warfare. Most of the radical advocates of air warfare even go so far as to contend that the battleship is out of date because of the fact that an airplane, if unopposed by another airplane, may approach within a certain height of a battleship with some immunity and drop large bombs at it with a fair degree of precision."

THE "D., P. AND Q." DEPARTMENT

I am personally acquainted with the Baptist deacon who tells the following story. There lies under it a great question of our duty to others. It is expected that some representation of this matter shall be presented to the Southern Baptist Convention, at Jacksonville.

O. L. H.

STORY OF THE CHINESE BAPTIST.

Won Kee Din, was a Baptist, for many years a member of the Sunday School, and also a member in good standing of the Central Baptist Church of Los Angeles, California. He came to Los Angeles from San Francisco several years ago, and was well known to a number of the members of that church, and was employed, in the latter city, and gave satisfaction to his employers. One day he was arrested, and taken to the county jail, by an officer of the United States. His friends found him at the jail, and made a bond for him to stand trial on the charge of being unlawfully in the United States as a Chinaman, in violation of the Chinese Exclusion laws. A lawyer was employed by his white friends, who had also made his bond as the bond could not be signed and accepted, otherwise as the law prohibited Chinese making bond for one of their number, and he appeared before the U. S. Commissioner for trial. He was sentenced to be deported back to China. An appeal was taken to the Federal Judge, where months later the sentence was passed that he be deported. At the trial several Chinese merchants who had known him and his parents many years, testified that he was born in Chinatown San Francisco, of Chinese parents, but he was nevertheless sentenced to be deported, and was with others placed on a train handcuffed, shipped to San Francisco, and there placed on a ship, without his consent, as to where he should be landed in China, and sent to China. The records of the U. S. District Court in Los Angeles, and abundance of other proof will show this to be true. Numerous other cases similar to this can be shown, and ought not the Baptists of the South who love justice, and who are desirous of seeing China brought to Christianity, to study this question?

QUESTION CONCERNING ALIEN IMMERSION.

"Do you think it is in keeping with the principles of the Missionary Baptists, to receive into the church as members, those who have been baptized by other than licensed or ordained minister of a Baptist church?"

R. C. H.

Answer:

I know personally, this Baptist deacon who asks this question. He is not the one who tells about the Chinese Baptist. This is a very pertinent and timely question. This is not a new question. Often in answering it, some good brother feels called on to remind us that Baptists are not all agreed about this, as some practice otherwise and

say that it ought not to be a question among us.

That hardly appears to me to be the way to answer this question. If some of our brethren, or many of them hold to views that are not correct, that does not validate them. Questions of morals and righteousness are not decided by majority vote. So it does not matter who nor how many may hold to incorrect views on this or any other question. What we need to ask is whether it is right. That is what our inquirer asks.

I answer unhesitatingly, and unequivocally, "No." It is not in keeping with our principles. We have a fundamental authority for all our faith and practice. Baptists may, and no doubt frequently do hold and practice what is not in accordance with the Word of God. If it is contrary to the Word of God, it is to be rejected. If the Bible justifies anything, Baptists readily and gladly accept it. If it is contrary to the teachings of the Bible, there will never cease to be contention among us till it is corrected. Some may acquiesce. But in the body there will be dissatisfaction and unrest, and sometimes protest and objection that will not allow us to ignore it. The question could be extensively argued, if its implications are to be discussed. Numerous related questions will readily arise. But I here offer what seems to me to be the principles upon which this question must be finally settled.

The New Testament is the law and all the law upon the church question. Jesus Christ organized his church, and fully equipped and authorized it to function through all this age till he himself shall return to the earth. He made no provision for any other organization of men to perform the services, or functions of his church. It is utterly unthinkable that he would inaugurate or provide for the inauguration of any opposing or competing organization. Any organization, which by fully accomplishing its purposes, would remove the churches of the Lord from the earth before he, himself, returns to the earth, cannot be accepted as according to his will. He is not the author of confusion.

To his churches, Jesus Christ committed two ordinances with specific purpose, which the church was to perform until his return. One of these, he couples inseparably with the introduction of a believer into his church. The ordinance of baptism was committed to his church, and not to men, even good men, apart from his church. He makes it the duty of his church to make disciples of all nations and to baptize them. He commands those who believe on him to be baptized. He who commanded baptism arranged so as to have that baptism performed by his authority. He never authorized anybody but his church to baptize. Since he did not command a believer to baptize himself, the command may be expressed as his command to the believer to receive baptism as he had appointed it. He lodged that authority in his church. Not to receive the baptism which he commanded, or to receive it under his command, is to invalidate that baptism. The same authority that could change his agent could change its form. So, any organization that baptizes without the authority of Jesus Christ, may as properly per-

form another "application of water" with just as much reason. If his command may be disobeyed in one part, it may upon the same ground be disobeyed in another part. So that logically, he who can receive "Alien Immersion" could on the same authority receive "Alien Sprinkling." Let any who object to this reasoning show its fallacy.

These are not all the reasons by any means. But this will sufficiently show why it is inconsistent for Baptists to receive Alien Immersion.

O. L. H.

Question: "Are Baptists Protestants?"

To properly answer this question certain historical facts need to be recalled. As loosely used, in present-day speech, in which Protestants mean "Those who are opposed to Roman Catholicism," Baptists are properly called Protestants. For they have always been opposed to the views and practices of Romanism. So, when the religious world is classified as Jews, Mohammedan, Catholics and Protestants, Baptists are properly classed with the Protestants, because they are Christians who are opposed to Rome.

But that is not the strict, or technical meaning of *Protestant*. That word has a historical background, and when used as above, does not fully set forth the truth. Without going into the history of "The Edict of Nantes" and the edict of *Speyers*, in which the word protestant finds its origin, it will be sufficient, here, to quote from *The Century Dictionary*; "A member or an adherent of one of those Christian bodies which are descended from the Reformation of the sixteenth century." That could not possibly mean Baptists, because we are not descended from that reformation. Baptists can trace their line far beyond the Reformation. The great historian, Mosheim, says that "their origin is lost in the mazes of antiquity."

What is commonly spoken of as "The Reformation," was led by Martin Luther. He was associated with Melancthon, Zwingli and Calvin. But John Huss, who lived many years before any of them, really did much to prepare the way for the Reformation. John Huss held to the views preached by Baptists. Lutheranism, and Presbyterianism, were the two active opponents of Rome. Afterwards became Episcopalianism, then Methodism each an offspring of the preceding. These brought with them some of the heresies of Rome, and are not free from them yet. All these were called Protestants. Baptists were never mixed up with Rome, and so did not come from Rome. We have steadily held to our doctrine of the "All-sufficiency of the Bible, as authority in matters of faith and practice." None of these other denominations have ever held that, nor do they hold that now. Hence we have from the beginning held to our "time-honored position." It is not proper to classify Baptists with any other denomination, strictly speaking. But when referring to those who are opposed to Romanism, it is proper to speak of us, as in that class. So, the word *Protestant*, when applied to Baptists really does not mean exactly what it does when applied to others. It is well for our people to know and remember this.

O. L. H.

News and Views

Let all of our people be much in prayer for the Convention of Southern Baptists, at Jacksonville, Fla., May 17 to 22.

Rev. M. E. Ward, of Nashville is assisting pastor I. N. Strother of Seventh church, Memphis in revival services.

Delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention should not neglect to write to Dr. Lloyd T. Wilson, Nashville, Tenn., asking for certificates which will entitle them to reduced rates on railroads to Jacksonville, Fla., and also to membership in the Convention unless they are Associational delegates.

Dr. C. E. Crossland, associate president of Ward Belmont college, Nashville, announces that Dr. John R. Sampey, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., will preach the Commencement sermon at Ward-Belmont, May 31, 4 p.m.

We call attention to the Sunday School Board's announcements of the Vocational School for training Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. workers which is to be held at the Ward Belmont College buildings in Nashville, June 8 to July 5, 1922. Let there be a fine attendance.

We have received a copy of a 60 page pamphlet entitled "Paul's Bible School on Baptism," by J. Benjamin Lawrence, published the Messenger Book House, Oklahoma City, Okla. It can be had of publishers at 30 cents the copy. It is a readable and faithful contribution to our Baptist literature on that subject.

A Mission Study Banquet was held at the First Baptist church of Morristown, Tenn., April 21, with an attractive program of exercises. The record indicated 113 new certificate issued during the year 1922. This is one of the foremost Mission Study W. M. U. aggregations in the South.

The annual meeting of the First Baptist church, Minneapolis, occurred April 17. The reports rendered showed a membership, to date, of 2,519. The amount of money raised for all purposes, during the year, to April 1, \$126,934.15. Subscriptions to the new buildings now amount to \$411,656.53. The total resources of the church itself are \$932,202.61; its liabilities reduce this to a net valuation of \$889,587.61. The total valuation of the Northwestern Bible Training School resources, \$280,028.01, making a grand total of values of \$1,192,230.92. Dr. W. B. Riley has been pastor for 25 years.

The brother requests us to withhold his name, for, says he, "I am only doing what I can to help build up His Kingdom;" but we must say that his is a most worthy example. He is a representative for the Baptist and Reflector in his church: is 65 years old, runs a blacksmith shop to earn his daily

bread, and has the care of a sick wife; but here is the plan he adopted which has carried his church "far over the top," and has enshrined him in our esteem: he says, "I told the children of the church that I would give to the one that obtained the most subscriptions during the month of April \$2.00, to the one obtaining second highest number \$1.00 and to the third one 50 cents, and six little girls volunteered to go to work at it with the result of which you are aware."

We are not violating his confidence to give the names of the girls, as follows:

Helen Foster, Mattie Lee Fort, Mildred Martin, Dorothy Nichols and Mabel Nichols.

A GREAT MISSION STATION.

By T. B. Ray.

When we reached the outskirts of Hwanghsien as the evening shadows deepened, we were met by a great reception committee of perhaps three hundred people. The school band played, and the students along with the missionaries gave us a rousing welcome. We realized at once that we were in the midst of a vigorous mission station.

The work in this section is too extensive to be described adequately in one brief article. The evangelistic work in the city and adjoining country is receiving the attention of brethren Glass and Lide and Misses Hartwell and Watson. The work is spread over an extensive stretch of country, and is in a most flourishing condition. The Hwanghsien church has 850 members, but these members are not all in Hwanghsien by any means. They are scattered through a number of outstations. There are two other organized churches in Hwanghsien county, and the evangelistic field laps over into the adjoining county of Chaoyuen, where there is one church with some outstations. The report for 1921 will show a great many baptisms in this flourishing evangelistic work. The station is encouraged over the prospect of having soon a good church plant in the city.

Here at Hwanghsien is located the mission institution for higher educational training. This institution has the following departments: A theological seminary, junior college, normal training department, a high school for boys, and the primary grades, a very creditable number of buildings have already been erected for the use of this institution, and a large tract of land has been acquired recently, upon which will be erected several more buildings; thus providing a very excellent equipment for this growing institution.

The school certainly has a wide field. In this province of Shantung, there is half as many people as there are in England, and yet there is only one other college in the midst of this vast population.

Dr. Pruitt, the president, has associated with him Messrs. C. N. Hartwell, W. C. Newton, Emmett Ayers, W. W. Stout, Misses Jane Lide, Clifford Hunter and a large corps of other teachers, most of whom are native. But even with this good faculty, there is very urgent need of several new missionaries.

We were gratified to note that amongst the large enrollment of students in the institutions there were thirty-eight theological

students. We were glad to note the deep evangelistic spirit in the institution. The faculty believes in doing thorough-going educational work, but it is a unit in its desire to make this educational work throb with evangelistic fervor.

There is a very encouraging medical work carried forward in Hwanghsien. Dr. Ayers, the senior physician, is the oldest medical missionary of our Board. Associated with him are Dr. N. A. Bryan and a trained nurse, Miss Blanche Bradley. The work of Dr. Ayers has been very cordially recognized by the governor of the province, who has furnished a room in the hospital as an expression of his appreciation. He has been decorated by two presidents of China, once for services rendered during the revolution and again for services in connection the pneumonic plague. It was a great pleasure to look over the splendidly equipped hospital. It is built in three sections, and contains eighty beds—thirty for women and fifty for men. It has one of the finest operating rooms I have seen in the East, and is fully supplied with apparatus necessary for successful surgical work. Last year, there was a total of over 33,000 treatments given in connection with this hospital.

One cannot close this brief note about the medical work without speaking of Dr. Chu, a native doctor, who has served in this hospital with such splendid devotion since 1901. He is a very capable surgeon, and is the leading Christian in our local church. Dr. Ayers says he has not found fault with him in twenty years. During the twenty years he has never asked an increase in salary, he said, "Do not raise it too much. If you do, you will make it hard on me, because some others might feel jealous." Dr. Chu has received many offers of larger salary in other institutions, but has uniformly refused. He says he will stay with our hospital in Hwanghsien as long as Dr. Ayers does. "If Dr. Ayers can give his life to this hospital, I will." The spirit of this good doctor is inspiring, and I am glad to say that such a spirit is throbbing in the hearts of many of our native brethren in Hwanghsien who are devoted to the unbuilding of our Master's cause.

DIFFICULTIES OF MISSION WORK IN ITALY.

By D. G. Whittinghill.

A few years ago pastor Melodia began to evangelize in a small mountain town in Sicily called San Piero Patti. He was assisted by Signor Biagi one of our theological students. The work went forward in a most satisfactory way. The local priest became alarmed and organized his friends into an armed band who taking advantage of the temporary absence from the town of our converts and sympathizers, at work in the fields, escorted Signor Biagi with armed men from the town and threatened his life if he ever returned. Notwithstanding this outrage he returned to visit and to console our friends some of whom were driven from the town and inhumanly mistreated. Later on several went to Messina and were baptized.

On hearing of this two of the priest's party went to Messina and again threatened the life of Signor Biagi if he dared to return to San Piero Patti to exercise his ministry.

In the meantime our converts were cared for by correspondence. Recently Signor Pugliose of the Reggio church was sent there to visit the brethren and to preach the gospel. The following letter tells graphically the results of the trip:

"San Piero Patti alas is still stormy. Last Monday I found myself surrounded at the station by six policemen, a superior officer and the commissioner of public safety, who accompanied me to the door of the San Piero Patti Hotel. I and my companions were preceded by a reinforcement of 50 of the police. I could not understand all these precautions. Afterwards I had the explanation.

There is a Lenton preacher in San Piero who does nothing but incite the fascisti against us. The local priest who wears the fascisti badge and carries a knotty stick has

promised the bishop of San Piero that just as the socialists have been abased, we evangelicals are to be wiped out by the fascisti element, which has solemnly promised to lay me low in the pulpit with a revolver shot! On Monday evening our hall was literally invaded by the fascisti. Our friends begged me not to go at all into the hall itself, but I did not yield to this and accompanied by or rather surrounded by, the police, I went to do my work. I had to preach to the police and the fascisti and God helped me so that in some way the fascisti were moved, and the police completely so that they said to me: "This is the first time we have heard such good words, you may rest easy that you will be assassinated only after we have all been killed first." In fact two policemen watched at my door all night and the hotel was guarded by other police. On the morrow when I left I was accompanied by them to the station.

What shall we do? I will do whatever you

say, bearing, however, in mind that I am not afraid of death but that my life is in real danger at San Piero. It is a pity to give up San Piero Patti because by holding on we should have one day there hundreds of adherents. To keep on there means to put my life in real jeopardy. I will do whatever you all think best."

We have written to him to use his own judgment in the matter about continuing to go there but we do not mean to definitely abandon such a field and recommended him when he does go to invoke always the protection of the police.

This is only one of many instances of how the priests avail themselves of local parties and prejudices to inflame the people against evangelicals. In this case, they have used the "fascisti" which is a political, conservative party which has arisen since the war and varies much in character according to the locality.

Rome, March 23, 1922.

IS TUBERCULOSIS CURABLE?

By H. F. Vermillion, D.D.

The best authorities are now agreed that tuberculosis is both preventable and curable. This does not mean that every case can be cured. Comparatively few advanced cases get entirely well though many patients with advanced cases by proper treatment build up enough resistance to the disease to live many years comparatively free from active trouble.

Not all incipient cases are curable. Many persons contract tuberculosis as a result of weakness caused by other diseases. In some cases the patient does not have enough vitality when the disease is discovered to check its course even under the best treatment and the most favorable conditions. But in most cases of incipient tuberculosis a complete cure is possible.

In order to effect a cure proper treatment should begin as soon as tuberculosis is suspected. Upon the appearance of the slightest symptoms of tuberculosis a physician who is expert in the diagnosis of the disease should be consulted. If he decides that the patient probably has tuberculosis the patient should go at once to some good sanatorium for

treatment. If this is not financially possible, the patient should be separated from other people to prevent them from contracting the disease and should be given the best possible home treatment. It cannot be too strongly emphasized that patients should go to a sanatorium as soon as possible. Many a person has lost all his chances for recovery by trying to "chase the cure" at home or in some boarding house for a few months. Complications often exist that are discoverable only to expert physicians in an institution with equipment and methods of diagnosis not available to the average physicians. Some incipient cases have come to us in which we discovered complications easily remedied and the patients recovered with remarkable rapidity.

We have free literature about tuberculosis which will be sent to any address upon request.

Address Baptist Sanatorium, El Paso, Texas.

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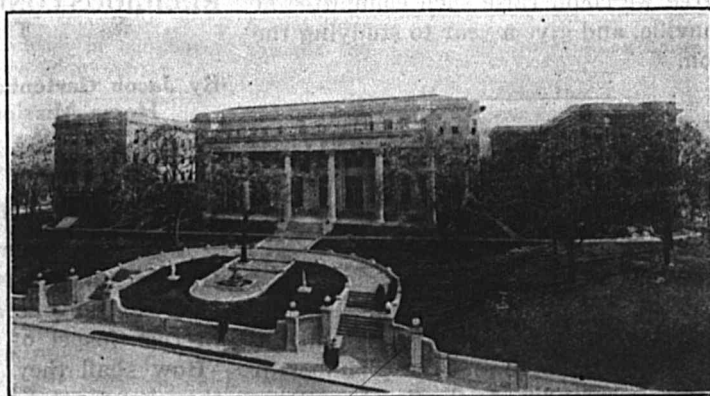
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A SUGGESTION CONCERNING THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

By O. L. Hailey.

I have had charge of the Order of Business, in conjunction with many capable and helpful brethren, for ten years, counting the one this year. My experience in having to seek for the best opportunity to consider our many and varied and important interests, has brought me to believe that we could further the causes which we promote by some reconstruction.

The Convention has been functioning more than seventy-five years, and we have moved very far from the place where it started. Then there were two small mission boards, and only a very few other matters came before the body for consideration. At present the various interests often call for more than fifty reports. We are working on a schedule which the denomination outgrew a long while ago.

REWRITE OUR FUNDAMENTAL LAWS.

We have "tinkered with" our Constitution and By-Laws, many times. There is a committee out to report on some phases of the matter at the approaching Convention. Why not raise a strong, competent, and representative committee to go through with our whole scheme of denominational work, and make such changes in constitution, by-laws, and various organizations as will give us the best opportunity to do our work? This might call for some Reconstruction as to our boards, and plans of work, and the proper relating and co-ordinating of all our interests. I do not claim to have thought through all that may be involved, but I seriously believe we can and ought to do something to improve our Convention program. If brethren agree we could raise such committee at Jacksonville, and give a year to studying the question.

NEW ORLEANS INVITES 1923 CONVENTION.

By O. E. Godbold, Secretary, Louisiana Baptist State Board.

The City of New Orleans, through all the Baptist Churches there and the Chamber of Commerce, is extending to the Southern Baptist Convention an urgent invitation to meet in the Crescent City for the 1923 session.

New Orleans has as good hotel facilities as can be found in the South. The Chamber of Commerce tenders to the Convention the Gypsy Smith Tabernacle with a seating capacity of 6,000 for the sessions of the Convention. This Tabernacle has a splendid auditorium with almost perfect acoustic qualities and with sufficient anterooms for committee meetings. It is located within two blocks of Lee Circle and of the new Bienville Hotel which has recently been opened. New Orleans is as accessible to all the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention as any city in our bounds. If the 1923 Convention accepts this invitation, we may expect an at-

tendance second only to that of the Washington Convention of 1920.

STORY OF THE MONTH.

Eight young men, belonging to one crowd, were talking about matrimony.

By actual count all eight of them said that "flappers" were all right to flirt with; but that when they should marry they wanted wives who knew something about practical things—who knew the difference between beef and mutton rather than the difference between face creams and carmines, and knew more about brooms than about jazz and cheek to cheek dancing.

And when—with a lordly air—they told their own sisters about their confabulation, the girls said: "Well that's your side. Now hear ours. The girls of today are willing to run a broom and cook the beans to make a real home for a real man; but they don't intend to do it merely as an accommodation for street corner loafers and cigarette puffers. God send us men, and we'll do our part."

"Everywhere the earth is seeking to renew its life in the path of the great war's devastation. Men themselves are again taking hope and daring to feel the promise and joy in life. Not my life nor your life, but all life—its hope, its promise, its opportunity for the realization of the longing in the souls of men, is sacred. War is the great blasphemy against life."—National Council for Reduction of Armaments.

There are more than 100,000,000 people in the United States who do not use liquor and who do not desire liquor. If the less than 2,000,000 drinkers intend to boss that big crowd, they will find something of a job on their hands.

RELIGIOUS CONDITIONS AND NEEDS OF THE JEWS.

By Jacob Gartenhaus, Missionary of Baptist Home Mission Board to the Jews.

(Continued from last week)

Their Need of a Savior.

Like every other nationality they need the transforming power of God unto salvation. This can only be experienced through faith in the Gospel of Christ. (Romans 1:16) "How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard" except in a blasphemous and false way? "And how shall they hear without a preacher," who will take to them "the gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things?" (Rom. 10:14-15.)

Therefore we must provide a New Testament for him and persuade him to read it, and urge him to follow its teachings. There is hardly a Jew who after reading two or three chapters of the New Testament does not desire to read the whole book and when he has read it, he loves it as his own best and wishes help in order to understand the book better.

The Day of Opportunity.

Never before in history has the Jew been so ready for the gospel message as now. He has tried everything and been disappointed.

Many are now willing to try Christianity. Practically all doors are open. There was a time when a Jew would not speak to a missionary. At present, not only do they talk with him, but many invite him to their homes and will even eat with him. The time has come when many faithful workers are needed among this people. Thank God that Southern Baptists have realized the need and have undertaken the work to give the gospel to "the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

The Task Not Hopeless.

Preaching the gospel to the Jew is not a hopeless task, as is shown by an authority on Jewish Missions in the following striking figures:

Baptisms from among the Israelites during the past century, 204,540.

One Protestant Hebrew convert to every 156 of the Jewish population.

The proportion from all other non-Christian religions is one to every 525.

The Protestant Hebrew converts who enter the Christian ministry are three times more numerous than those from the ranks of converts from other non-Christian faiths.

"Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved. For I bear them record that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge" (Romans 10:1-2).

Shall We Perform It?

You are sending your own children as missionaries to the foreign fields. You are sending your money, but what are you doing for your neighbors, God's Israel, and for the people who are "still beloved for the Father's sake?" Have you forgotten the Lord's command to begin at Jerusalem? Have you forgotten the words of Christ when he said, "Salvation is of the Jews?" (John 4:22).

Do you still believe with Paul that, "The gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek?" If you do so believe, why not give the gospel to them? The Apostle says that you are their debtors. (Romans 15:27). For the Bible, both Old and New Testament, the prophets, the apostles, and even Christ Himself, we are indebted to the Jew.

Christians, if you want a blessing on your soul, a revival in your church, and God's protection to your community, do something for the Jew. God's promise will be fulfilled. As a little group of Jewish disciples shook the world in the first century, so the Jews will bring untold blessings to the world in the near future. There are many Pauls, Peters, and Johns to be found among the Jews. Let us go back and seek them out. (Zachariah 8:20-23).

Space does not permit me to quote many wonderful encouraging experiences, but I can say this, that each day of work among my people is accomplished with blessings.

The Home Mission Board will be glad to send free literature to all who desire it for distribution among your Jewish neighbors.

If you don't know now where your boy is at night, the chances are that sometime before long the police will tell you.

BOOK REVIEWS

By O. L. Hailey.

Heralds of a Passion, Charles L. Goodell, D.D., Geo. H. Doran & Co. All that Dr. Goodell writes is full of force and is well worth reading. In "Heralds of a Passion" he has produced a stimulating book for the preachers, and a valuable book for anybody. The "passion" of this book is Love. He starts with the love of Jesus and associates with him, those who love Jesus and the souls of men. It will stir the heart of the reader. "How often we read in the Scriptures that Jesus was moved with compassion" he says. "To feel a thrill of a great love and to be profoundly interested in men and things is not bad form, it is Christ-like." "We have been talking about religious unrest. As a matter of fact, there is too little of it. The people are asleep." "I should have thought that the last piece of furniture which any Christian Church in the nineteenth century needed was a refrigerator. A poker and a pair of bellows would be much more needful to them."

These are some quotations, selected as the eye scans the pages. And they abound throughout. He may not voice the views of every one on "The Social Gospel," but he will make one see and feel that there is great need that Christians should seek to alleviate the distress of the world. Social service saves neither the helper nor the helped, but it is a splendid expression of the Christian Passion.

By Harry Clark

An Easter Disciple, by Arthur Benton Sanford, 35 cents plus postage, Abingdon Press, would make a delightful Easter present. This little booklet of 56 pages tells of a Roman officer "Quintus," who met Christ and returned to Rome and helped organize the Christians before the arrival of Paul. It claims to be a true story and quotes the inscription from Quintus' tomb, still visible at Rome.

Making the Bible Real, F. B. Oxtoby, Professor of Biblical Literature, Huron College, \$1.00 net, Fleming H. Revell Co. 94 pages. Since the author has lived in the Orient, he interprets the Bible lands in terms of his experiences there. Except for chapter five on Archeology, there is not much that will be new to the better informed Bible students, but the book will be valuable for young men and women. He treats the geography of the Holy Land, gives tables of chronology and of the prophets, accounts of Paul, and explanations of the origin of our Bible. His description of the casultry of the Pharisees is very good.

Organization and Administration of Religious Education, by John Elbert Stout, \$1.50 net, Abingdon Press. Well written, carefully analyzed. It covers much the same ground as some other books on this subject, but its facts are more recent. It will be valuable to Sunday School superintendents, pastors, college teachers of religious education, and Sunday School fieldworkers. It is the best book that the reviewer has seen on this topic, and he has been so favorably impressed with the book that he has recommended it personally to certain friends.

Pilgrim's Progress for the B. Y. P. U., L. P. Leavell, Baptist Sunday School Board, 141 pages with introduction, notes and questions for review and examination. This is an excellent edition of the popular classic by Bunyan, and we recommend it not only for B. Y. P. U. use but also for purchase by parents and laymen. The price for the paper edition is 50c, and for the board edition 75c.

The Christian in Social Relationships, by D. F. Delfendorf, Methodist Book Concern, 75c., 125 pages. This is one of the best books that has come to the reviewer's desk in many weeks. While he cannot understand the South's attitude toward the negro sympathetically, the author will stimulate and inform the reader. Those opposed to the "social gospel" will not be offended because he lays his chief emphasis on individual duty. Our duty to the public schools, labor problems, working conditions, public health, amusements, criminals, politics, and world brotherhood will be found carefully outlined. The book is strongly recommended to editors, preachers, Rotarians, teachers of men's classes.

Handbook for Workers With Young People, by James V. Thompson, Abingdon Press, \$1.50 plus postage, 272 pages. One of the admirable Community Training School Series of this same publisher. Well thought out, clearly outlined, attractively presented. Each chapter closes with a summary, topics for discussion, and books for further study. Except for his coldness toward emotional conversion, the author has given us a valuable book for all workers with young people.

How to Conduct a Church Vacation School, by Albert H. Gage, Director of Religious Education for the Chicago Baptist Executive Council, American Baptist Publication Society, \$1.50 net, 167 pages. I wish every pastor in the largest towns of Tennessee had a copy of this book. It is "meaty," full of detailed suggestions. (1.) How to get your church to want to start such a school, (2.) how to run it. He has gotten experts to write separate parts of the book such as that dealing with kindergartens, story telling, dramatization, play, handwork, cooking and sewing, poster making, etc.

Proceedings of the Tenth Midwinter Conference of the Southern Baptist Education Association, free. Write to Harry Clark, Tennessee Baptist Convention, for a copy. Sixty-two pages. Since the issue accrediting and standardization was so heatedly discussed last year, the central theme of the Conference this year was on the same subject.

BY DEAN WEAVER, TENNESSEE COLLEGE

American Citizens and Their Government, by Kenneth Colegrove, is a well adapted and concisely written book upon a subject of direct interest not only to the class room student, but to all the general reading public because of the advanced interpretation of problems old and new in our National Government and Constitution.

It gives a general view also of the chief factions involved in State and City government as well as of the National Government.

It would serve well as a class text in secondary schools being used in colleges better with a system of collateral readings or as a splendid reference book in which to find definite, readable information. Abingdon Press Price \$1.75 and postage.

Beyond Shanghai, by Harold Speakman (Abingdon Press, \$2.50 net), is a charming, intimate study of Chinese life and character by an experienced traveller. In order to know the real Chinaman, the author travels Chinese fashion, in that part of the great empire, seldom visited by foreigners, and absorbs the national character which appears unrestrained and uncontaminated amid a "whirling, spinning vortex of pigtails, swinging gold signs, wheelbarrow men, dashing riskasha coolies and high guttural voices." His experiences include experiences in a leisurely mooring house boat with frequent stops at river cities, a visit to the island of Buddah, and an interesting stay in the home of a Chinese family, where "peace seemed to have found a permanent abiding place." Altogether it is delightful reading and though a personally conducted trip the author allows the reader the privilege of drawing his own conclusions.

With Earth and Sky, (Abingdon Press, \$1.25) is the twenty-second book from the pen of Bishop Quale. It is a good book for a drawsy day, for unquestionably the bishop himself nods frequently in the course of the twenty-two chapters which make up his whimsical observations about the earth and sky. Unfortunately the author has not the acute perception of Burroughs nor the subtle appreciation of Thoreau in his observations of nature and his style is too diffuse to grip the interest of the discriminating reader. Like Mercutio's wound 'tis not so deep as a well nor so wide as a church door" but 'twill serve perhaps to interest some who prefer to get their glimpses of out-of-doors through the eyes of others.

The Promise of His Coming, by Chester C. McCown, (MacMillan \$2.) Those who hold the doctrine of Premillennianism can find no where a bolder critic than Dr. McGowan. He states sympathetically and fairly, the various documents of the Second Coming and then proceeds with courage to state his own view. As you read this captivating discussion you are shocked by the methods with which he handles the Bible. Does he really believe in the doctrine of inspiration? Evidently he does not as we do.

With this understanding we proceed to study his chapters: Watchman, What of the Night, The Day of Jehovah, Prophetic Reinterpretation, The New Problems and the New Solution, A Counsel of Despair, The Kingdom at Hand, A Living and Blessed Hope. Three Millenniums of Waiting and The Second Advent. His analysis is clear, his conclusions unique and his view point worth considering. He lacks the conviction of the premillennist and the drawing power which results form conviction growing out of a belief in an inspired work.

That the church, the parent of the English drama, is a fair way to be

reconciled to her long forsaken offspring is evidenced by the recent publication of a volume entitled **Shorter Bible Plays**, by Rita Benton (The Abingdon Press, New York, and Cincinnati, \$1.25). The work is one of a number belonging to the Abingdon Religious Education Texts Series and offers the right to produce any of the plays for religious and educational purposes, provided there is no personal profit—without the payment of any royalty.

The plays included in the volume are the following: Noah's Flood, The Proving of Abraham, Moses in the Bulrushes, Up, Up from Egypt to the Promised Land, the Call of Samuel, David and Goliath, The Judgment of Solomon (a longer and shorter version), The Good Samaritan, and Manger Service.

While the plays are intended to be presented by religious groups indiscriminately the author expresses a predilection for children actors. Children should usually be the actors and not mere spectators. In acting Bible stories they learn how intimately the past is linked to the present and how the struggles of today after truth, courage, love, are like the struggles of the patriarchs and prophets. The stories become more vivid, their charm grows, as we study them in action—our own action. And when we have finished the production of a Bible play a portion of the most beautiful of all literature is ours forever.

While there is strange familiarity about most of these plays to one who is familiar with the middle English miracle cycles they are nevertheless sufficiently simple and modern to be enjoyed by youth and old alike and it is to be hoped that the modern church worker will take advantage of this newly discovered but yet very old vehicle for effective religious instruction.

NORTH EDGEFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

By James Allen Smith.

It has been the writer's good fortune to spend two weeks in a series of meetings with Rev. A. W. Duncan, pastor of North Edgefield Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn. I have never enjoyed the fellowship of any pastor more than that of Bro. Duncan, and to know his people is to love them. For six or more years Brother Duncan has been pastor at North Edgefield, and has seen the church grow from a membership of something over two hundred to a present membership of more than six hundred. His good people told me that when Brother Duncan became pastor, the church was in debt, discouraged, and divided, and spiritually at a very low ebb, but that now they were united, out of debt, wide awake and happy.

They have plans already drawn for a modern Sunday School annex, and are planning great things for God. Duncan is a wise "Master Builder" and they are going on from victory unto victory. His noble people are the very highest type of Christians, love and appreciate him, but best of all they love the Lord, and are trying to walk humbly before God.

"The Gospel according to Sole Leather is what some churches need."

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B Y P U

W. D. Hudgins, Superintendent
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Attendance, April 30.

Nashville, First	1259
Knoxville, Bell Ave.	1025
Johnson City, Central	888
Memphis, First	884
Chattanooga, First	740
Knoxville, Fifth Ave.	725
Memphis, Central	703
Etowah, First	702
Knoxville, Broadway	640
Maryville, First	620
Jackson, Second	552
Chattanooga, Tabernacle	516
Knoxville, Lonsdale	515
Chattanooga, St. Elmo	508
Jackson, West	476
Memphis, Temple	475
Chattanooga, Avondale	444
Erwin, First	435
Nashville, Third	434
Cleveland, First	430
Morristown, First	425
Nashville, Edgefield	420
Nashville, Immanuel	407
Chattanooga, Central	404
Chattanooga, Red Bank	380
Chattanooga, East	368
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Dyersburg	353
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Rossville	335
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SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

The Weekly County Sunday School Convention met last week near Greenfield with several churches represented. The program was unusually interesting and much interest taken in the plans laid for the coming year's work. Pres. E. L. Freeman has a vision of real work for that association and is rapidly bringing to pass some things that will soon begin to be felt in the churches. A constitution and by-laws were adopted and proper committees appointed to group the churches and appoint group leaders for the various groups of churches. They also plan to put on a church to church campaign of teacher training in the association sometime this winter. This will be carried on by local forces assisted by those that can be furnished by the State S. S. Department. Regular group meetings will be held in all the groups each quarter throughout the year. We note considerable growth already notwithstanding the fact that this convention has only been running a few months. Weekly County Association has improved as much as any in the state during the last year.

This week we have had a fine school on at Fifth Avenue church, Knoxville, with 85 taking the Normal Manual. Two hours each day have been given to the study and much enthusiasm manifested among those taking the work. This church has a new building not finished yet and without any

special effort they had last Sunday around 700 present in the Sunday school. They have a possibility of six or seven thousand for this one school. They are laying plans for 2,000 before this year is closed. Already they are getting ready to build a Sunday school plant in addition to the one they have not finished. This building will cost them around \$100,000 and still is not sufficient to hold the people who are coming. We expect to award 50 diplomas as a result of this week's class.

Mr. Livingston reports fine school at Roseberry this week with large attendance. He always does the job. No matter where he works the people are delighted with his teaching and work in general.

We are very sorry to note the continued illness of Mrs. Livingston who will go to Hot Springs soon for treatment.

Mr. Milton reports fine progress from West Jackson church. They are to award a large number of diplomas there next Sunday.

Both the Holston Valley and Jefferson County Associational Conventions are on this week. We expect to attend both if possible to get trains so we can. They have splendid program and good speakers. It is hoped that every association will organize this season for definite Sunday school work.

If your church cares for a training school this year and desires to have aid from this department you had better let us know at once so we may plan for it. Our workers are nearly all scheduled now for the summer.

The Doyle Encampment begins June 4th. A fine faculty has been secured and we are expecting a real good time there that week.

Brother C. C. Nolen, Petersburg, has asked for another Training School for Hannah's Gap church. We are planning to have this in August.

We call especial attention to the Christian Education Program now being sent out from the Board's Home Office at Birmingham. I hope all our Superintendents will make a really great occasion of this Education Day. It will be a fine thing if the Organized Classes will make a canvas among the young people to see who are going away to college and place before them the call of our Denominational Schools. On this Special Day it will be a fine thing to have all prospective students seated on the platform and attention called to them. It will be a stimulus to them and to others who might be induced to attend our schools. The gifts from that day should go to definite Educational Work. It would be a fine thing if our classes would give special gifts to the Loan Fund of our Tenn. Schools to be used to help poor boys and girls through school. A fund should be raised for all the school and di-

vided among them in proportion to their several needs and demands.

We pray earnestly that our churches may all come up with their pledges before May 3rd. If our Sunday school officers and teachers have not done their best let us all help to make this possible by paying our own pledges and then seeing to it that all others pay their pledges.

Brother Adams, of Erwin, is planning for a fine school there in June.

The programs for the Tennessee Encampment, The East and West Tennessee Bible Conference, are all about ready and we are confidently expecting to have a large number at each of these meetings this year. Programs for all will be announced in a few days. Let the young people and others plan now to spend their vacations at Murfreesboro, July 11 to 21st, in the greatest Encampment ever held in the state. We will have a feast of good things and one of the best times socially ever you had.

Report your school if you have more than 300 and if you have grown since last month send in your report anyway and we shall be glad to print it showing just those that have grown and the per cent of growth during April.

Now is the time to organize new schools and to reorganize those that have been in winter quarters. Let us help you. Write for information.

If you have not installed the Six Point Record System in your school write us about it. If you cannot use the cards write us for class books. We have a complete system with class Books, Sec Books, Organized Class Books, Individual Report Slips and Envelopes, Class Report Envelopes, Departmental Report Envelopes, Secretary's Report Card, Parent Cards and Enrollment Cards. Anything necessary for the complete record and it is easy kept.

Write us if you have had anything interesting to happen in your school lately. It will stimulate others.

It was our pleasure to attend the Knox County S. S. Federation last Sunday afternoon. More than 550 present, with written reports from 28 schools. A full report appears below. This is a wonderful organization and is doing fine work. They are planning to put on a simultaneous training school in all the outlying churches in June.

Loose-leaf Record. Price List, Feb. 6, 1922.

We give below a full list of all material published by us and which we sell at prices quoted below subject to change in price of raw material. If any reduction shall be made we will give full advantage to all customers.

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	Per 100
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Secretary's Report Card	.50
Parent's Card	.35
Enrollment Cards	.45
Assignment Blanks (New Pupils)	.30
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Census Cards	.20
All cards and envelopes 5 cents less per hundred in lots of 1,000 or more.	

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S NOTES

"B. Y. P. U. Wedding and Trial Presented at Lebanon."

There was held recently in Lebanon, an event of much interest to B. Y. P. U. members and others, a "program night" in which there were given the B. Y. P. U. wedding and the play entitled the "Trial of the Robbers."

The church was packed to the doors by interested spectators. After an opening devotional service, the pastor, Rev. Kirtley, gave a few words of welcome and an introduction to the program.

The "Trial" was held first. There was an added interest in the drama to the young men who took part, since most of them were students in the Law Department, Cumberland University. Mr. J. T. Gurney was the judge. The play was given with realistic effect, and was much enjoyed. "The Trial of the Robbers" is based on the grave question, "Will a man rob God?" and teaches the duty of stewardship, with particular reference to the tithe, in emphatic and impressive terms. Every B. Y. P. U. would do well to give this play inviting the church at large to be present.

The "Wedding" was an elaborate ceremony uniting Mr. B. Y. P. U. and Miss B. Y. P. U. spirit. The groom was Mr. Stanford and the bride Miss Thelma Sullivan. Miss Ruth Lea sang, "Oh Promise Me." There were bridesmaids, groomsmen, the father of the bride and the best man; also the ring bearer, flower maids and the bride's maid-of-honor. The young people had spent much time and care in decorating the church, and arranging suitable dresses, costumes, etc.

The ceremony which united Miss B. Y. P. U. spirit to Mr. B. Y. P. U. was impressive in teaching the lesson that every B. Y. P. U. needs—the spirit of loyalty, of purpose, of determination to make the work a vital factor in the lives of the young people.

Union University To Be Well Represented At the Convention.

President W. E. Walker, Jr., of the Jackson City B. Y. P. U. writes the following:

"You can count on Union University and the Jackson B. Y. P. U. being well represented with plenty of 'pep.' Miss Lucy Stark will be in charge of the Union University booth and beyond a doubt will make the Union University Booth the eye-opener for the whole Assembly. A good representation from Union are making their plans to attend the Convention."

"Begin Your Plans Early"

Let each one come prepared to make a report of the work done this past year.

The railroads will give reduced rates. The entertainment will be on the Harvard Plan (lodging and breakfast free). Write for further information to Mr. Sibley C. Burnett, State President, Box 302, Jefferson City, or to W. H. Preston, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

Belmont Heights B. Y. P. U. Training School

The Training School of the Belmont Heights Baptist church closed last Friday night. There was an average attendance for the week of fifty each night. All three of the B. Y. P. U. Manuals were taught—Senior, Intermediate and Junior. Dr. Geo. L. Hale, the pastor of the church, had charge of the Senior Work. Miss Eleanor Gardner taught the Intermediates and your state Secretary had charge of the Juniors. An address was given each evening—on Monday night by Dr. Harry Clark, on Tuesday night by Dr. J. D. Moore, of the Baptist and Reformer; and on Wednesday night, Mr. Arthur Flake brought the message. Dr. I. J. Van Ness, Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Board, came through the torrents of rain on Thursday night to deliver his address and Mr. Harry Strickland concluded the series of addresses on Friday night. Everyone greatly enjoyed the addresses made by these excellent speakers.

The awards for the Training School were given out at the Sunday evening preaching hour, the pastor making an appropriate presentation.

Those who enjoyed the Training School are especially indebted to Miss Maurine Mustaine who was in charge of the lunches and to Miss Elizabeth Knox for the special surprise each evening which added much to the attractiveness of the program. The credit for the success of the school is very largely due to the efforts of Miss Roxie Jacobs who was in charge.

Hall-Moody Planning an Attractive Booth.

Miss Margaret Bailey who is in charge of the Hall-Moody Normal school booth at the State Convention is planning a booth that the Hall-Moody young people hope to be the most attractive of all. The details of the plan as yet are a secret but no one who attends the State Convention will fail to know that Hall-Moody is a great school with loyal students.

HALL-MOODY, TENNESSEE COLLEGE, CARSON-NEWMAN AND UNION UNIVERSITY ARE STRIVING TO SEE WHICH WILL HAVE THE LARGEST REPRESENTATION AND THE MOST ATTRACTIVE BOOTH AT OUR STATE CONVENTION, JUNE 14TH TO 17TH, 1922.

The State B. Y. P. U. Convention.

The Seventh Annual State B. Y. P. U. Convention of Tennessee will be held in Chattanooga, June 14th to 17th, 1922. We are looking forward to this being the greatest and the most helpful of all. We are counting upon each Union to help make it the best.

The Convention will open on Wednesday afternoon, the 14th, with an Inspirational Musical Program, being

arranged now by our State Chorister, Mr. I. C. Petrie. Dr. Harry Clark will deliver his address on "Music" at this time.

We are planning to make the program of Wednesday Inspirational; that of Thursday Educational; and that of Friday Dedication.

Some few of the speakers on the program are: Mr. E. E. Lee, Dr. Harry Clark, Dr. Lloyd T. Wilson, Dr. I. J. Van Ness, Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Leavell, Dr. W. F. Powell, Dr. J. E. Hampton, Dr. Emmett Stephens, Missionary to China, and others equally as fine.

We want you to send at least one or two delegates to catch the inspiration and carry back the enthusiasm of the Convention. It would be fine if your pastor and your B. Y. P. U. President might attend.

Rev. and Mrs. Crawley write from Newport that six or more of their young people are planning to attend. From all over the state the reports indicate the biggest attendance of any convention we have had.

**Lonsdale Baptist Church.
By W. A. Atchly.**

Rev. Claud E. Sprague, Cleveland, Tenn., closed a very successful revival, Wednesday night, April 26. The interest was great from the beginning, and continued to grow till the last service. There was a capacity house about every night. There were 70 professions, 56 baptised with others approved for baptism, and 14 received by letter. Brother Sprague won the heart of all from the youngest to the oldest. His strong messages brought conviction to the heart of the unsaved and the saved. He is an untiring worker. He puts all of the energies of his body, mind and soul into his work. He is an earnest, consecrated servant of the Lord. His appeals are as strong as appeals can be made. He is the best personal worker that I have ever seen in a revival meeting. He is ably assisted by I. C. Petree, the evangelist, singer. Brother Petree sings the gospel messages in a most effective way.

Knoxville, Tenn.

**"Honor to Whom Honor"
J. E. Skinner.**

Your very generous references to my work in the William Carey association, which I appreciate very much, remind me of the fact that I am not due all the honor for the very hard and earnest work that has been done, for others have been just as faithful as I have and without them the work could not have been the success that it was.

Brother J. B. Alexander, of Petersburg, was constantly in the regular team and did some of the finest work, both in public addresses and in personal contact, that I have ever witnessed. Great was his service and great will be his reward.

Then Brother De Vault, who has three churches in this association, joined us the greater part of two weeks and did very valuable service and was very effective.

Many other brethren, both preachers and laymen, who would fall into the team here and there, did valuable work in the campaign also, and made splen-

did contributions to its success—once or twice we had as many as nine preachers in the race and all had a chance at the trail.

But all the good things that could be said about all the rest, the one key to the situation, and the one man to whom more credit is due than to any other, is our beloved missionary, L. M. Laten, who is loved and honored in the entire association more than any other man. He was the leader of the whole team from the first to the last, and no man disagreed with him on a single plan he proposed. It was truly a success. God was in it from the first to the last moment. We believe we have solved the problem of enlistment. An unbroken team of faithful men spending a whole day with each church.

Fayetteville, Tenn.

BIBLE INSTITUTE AT SALEM

By P. W. Carney.

The Bible Institute held at Salem Church, Liberty, Tenn., was a success in every way. Good crowds, good dinners, good addresses and sermons.

This is the first Institute which Salem has ever held. My people feel so inspired by it that they want to make it an annual occasion.

It was a busy time with the farmers, but they became so interested that they laid aside everything to receive the message which God brought to us from day to day.

We cannot find words to express our gratitude to all who made our Institute the success that it was.

All of the addresses were of a high order.

Every speaker was full of enthusiasm and had the ability to transfer the same to the people.

Even our brethren of Salem, New Salem, and Wilson County Associations surpassed their own good records.

Prof. Geo. Burnett, Dr. J. W. Stewart, and Dr. Geo. L. Hale were the principal speakers; each day they brought to us new and inspiring messages, despite the fact that they spoke from 2 to 3 times per day. One day four times.

We shall never cease to thank these brethren for the new life and larger vision which these brethren brought to us; they can always find open hearts and doors for themselves among Salem people.

Brethren Stewart and Burnett are too well known for me to have to speak a good word for them.

Since Dr. Hale, pastor of Belmont Church, Nashville, Tenn., is a new man in our midst, I feel that it is due him to speak a few words of commendation for him.

As a man he is congeniality itself, as a speaker eloquent and magnetic, as a theologian is informing and sound.

In addition to his many qualities he possesses an evangelistic note to a large degree.

We also appreciate the presence and aid which were rendered by Brethren Cox, Scott, Adkins, Ramsey, Surlock and Castleberry.

The last word of thanks is to Dr. Lloyd T. Wilson who secured most of the speakers for us.

Permit me to suggest to Dr. Wilson and the State Board that they could render no greater service to the state

in Kingdom Building than to use their influence with all the churches inducing them to hold Bible Institutes annually for it would mean untold blessings to the people and enlargement of our denominational work.

Prof. J. B. Cambron led the singing to the delight of all. Permit me to commend him to any church which needs a singer.

MEETINGS AT ENGLEWOOD

By C. A. Johnson.

I wish to make a report of the meeting in the Englewood Baptist Church. In the first place, the meeting proved to be a real revival among the membership, personal work was stressed by the pastor before the meeting began and all through the meeting, and the response to the call for laborers was heard and heeded in a great way by Christians. And as they went out to witness to the truth, the Holy Spirit used the Sword of Truth, to convict for sin. We were happy to have Brother and Sister H. E. McKinley to sing for us during the meeting. They are untiring in their efforts to lead sinners to the Savior. They were so kind and interesting, and each has the most winning ways that we all fell deep in love with them, and wish them God's blessings wherever they go to labor.

The Lord has greatly blessed our labors together as Church and pastor. The first of May it will have been seventeen months since I came to this people as pastor. During the first year we received eighty-seven into the church. During the first five months of the second year, we have received one hundred and fifty into the fellowship of the church. We have made an effort to grade our Sunday School, with an encouraging degree of success; however we can never succeed until we are able to build a new church house which thing we must do in the near future.

FROM UPPER EAST TENNESSEE

By E. F. Hall.

March the 5th, Rev. Ernest M. Cox came to Beulah, his old home church, to hold a revival. Rev. Cox is a brother of Rev. E. K. and Eugene Cox, and a son of Rev. W. K. Cox, of Jefferson County.

Brother Cox is a young preacher of much ability. He has a deep knowledge of the Scripture and preaches the gospel with a great power. His kind and loving spirit is a great help to him in winning lost souls to Christ. Although with much sickness in the community, we had a good meeting until flu took full possession of the community.

There were some 30 professions and renewals with several additions to the church with others to follow. We hope to have Brother Cox with us again in the near future.

When Cornelius kneeled before Peter, he was told to get up and cut out that foolishness for Peter himself was only a man like Cornelius was. But these popes who parade their titles as successors of Peter must have their toes kissed as being the vicegerent of God on earth. If Peter should come to Rome today, he'd kick that whole bunch out the back door.—Record.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Miss Margaret Buchanan, Corresponding Secretary
Headquarters: 161 Eighth Ave., N. Nashville, Tennessee

A NEW YEAR

This issue of our paper marks the beginning of the New Convention year. Are we satisfied with what we did and what we gave from May 1, 1921, to May 1, 1922? May we not begin now to make this year the very best of the campaign period and the very best of our lives. Let us put the first things first, remembering the Master said, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you."—Let's stand on his promise, obeying His command. M. B.

DATA CONCERNING W. M. U. REGISTRATION AT JACKSONVILLE, FLA., MAY 17-22

Registration at Jacksonville, Florida, for delegates and visitors to the W. M. U. Annual Meeting will open at 8:30 on Wednesday morning, May 17, in the private dining room to the right of the elevator on the mezzanine floor of the Seminole Hotel on Hogan and Forsyth Streets. On Wednesday afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock, there will be additional registration tables at the Armory on Market and States Streets. The registration place at the Armory is the Club Room, which is number F to right of entrance on first floor. There will be no registration at the Seminole Hotel after Wednesday.

When the annual meeting opens in the Armory at 8 o'clock on that Wednesday night, registration will be suspended until the close of that session, at which time it will be resumed for the benefit of late arrivals. The next morning, Thursday, it will again be opened so that as many as possible may register before the morning session convenes. During the morning session it will be again suspended, to be resumed at the noon hour. As each delegate registers she is given her badge and program. It is earnestly hoped that every W. M. U. delegate and visitor will register as soon as possible after her arrival in Jacksonville. Any unregistered delegates who reach the Armory during one of the sessions will be seated in the special section reserved for unregistered delegates. Upon adjournment of that session they will be expected to register.

Each state is entitled to only thirty-nine delegates not including the state W. M. U. vice president. The thirty-nine cards for each state have been sent to the state W. M. U. vice president who will distribute them according to the policy of the given state. The vice presidents or their accredited substitutes will be at the registration tables in Jacksonville so that any delegate who has not received her card may be properly identified.

The number of visitors is limited only by the very large auditorium of the Armory, where all the W. M. U. sessions will be held. No cards are sent to the states for the visitors, such cards being secured at the registration tables in Jacksonville. Visitors arriving after a session has opened will be seated by the ushers in the regular visitors' section. Upon adjournment they will be expected to

register, at which time they will receive their badge and program.

From the state leaders the state badges are to be secured by both delegates and visitors. All who go to Jacksonville are urged to wear their state badges as the official badges to be secured upon registration in Jacksonville do not bear the name of any

Kathleen Mallory,
W. M. U. Corresponding Secretary.

FIELD NOTES

The divisional conventions of this year were of unusual interest and enthusiasm. The report of the East Division meetings, April 4-5 was written by our president. She modestly left herself out of the report, but those present appreciated the excellent service she rendered. Her presentation of "Co-operation" was clear and convincing. That meeting was perhaps the best ever held in that division. Last week I endeavored to give a report of West Division. Much to the regret of some of us West Division did not deem it wise to combine all divisional meetings on one mid-summer gathering in a central place. Middle Division also declined to do so. East Division may reconsider and continue the April meeting of W. M. U. and Sunday School, so we hear.

The last of the three met at Shelbyville April 17-20. Our Workers Council on Monday night was very helpful indeed to those present. Some changes had to be made and substitutes found for them on the program. Every topic but two was well taken care of. Mesdames Hill, Curtis, and De Vault each led most helpful devotional periods. Mrs. Curtis was exceptionally happy in her choice of theme and discussing of it, using the 13th of First Corinthians as a basis for "The Greatest thing in the World." The round table on Circle plans, led by Mrs. Hill, assisted by members Sterling Fort, L. J. Hardeman and R. J. Kimmons was very interesting. The message of our vice president, Mrs. Burnley was forceful, timely, and practical.

Everyone appreciated the discussion of "Tithing," by our president. The presentation of the Campaign was attentively heard.

Mrs. J. G. Estes brought a message of our Orphan's Home which was much appreciated.

All regretted the absence of Mrs. Johnson, who was to have spoken on "The Preparatory School in the Young Girl's Education," and given some word of our Home Board school at Doyle, the only one in Middle Tennessee.

Miss Lucile Ludlow's message, "The College Girl in Y. W. A. and Church Work," was splendid. We rejoiced in the account of work being done by the girls in our own Tennessee College for Women.

This was followed by Mrs. C. D. Creasman in a happy presentation of the subject, "The Church's Opportunity to Train the Uneducated." She spoke with the authority of one who is doing the thing she talked about

After the reports of committees on Resolutions and Nominations, the last naming over old officers for reelection, the young people took charge. Margery Westall represented the Sunbeams, giving a reading, "Nellie's Gift," which was enjoyed by all. The G. A. girls sang for us and also had part in the playlet presented by the Y. W. A. "How the Standard Convinced" was so well done that every representative surely felt their doubts vanishing and decided we can reach our Standard of Excellence if we apply the remedies.

Lunch was served in the club room near the church, not only for W. M. U., but the Sunday School Convention Wednesday and Thursday following.

The welcome spoken by Mrs. M. L. Allison was felt every hour of our stay in the homes of Shelbyville. There were not guests enough to go round. Each of us thought we had the best home. The Sunday School Convention was helpful, indeed, though the attendance at this, as well as at the W. M. U. meeting, was small. All regretted the illness of the pastor, Brother White, who was not well enough to be in all the meetings.

From Shelbyville it was my pleasure to go to Fayetteville, where a meeting of the Wm. Carey Association of Women Workers were scheduled to meet in their first quarterly meeting. Here it was a pleasure to be a guest in the home of Mrs. Bert Holman, even as it was a joy to be with Mrs. Tune, at Shelbyville.

The meeting was called to order by the Superintendent, Miss Irene Sanders. Mrs. R. L. Lasater, who was chosen assistant superintendent, presided. A recording secretary-treasurer was elected. Mrs. Allen, of Fayetteville, welcomed the guests, Mrs. George Hunter, of Petersburg, responding. Mrs. J. E. Skinner led a helpful devotional service. The report of societies showed good work being done. The special music was enjoyed. Mrs. Alberta Reigger, in a telling manner, gave her experience as a tither.

The best hour of the morning was given your secretary for a talk on our W. M. U. work, its history and some accomplishments. Our Campaign coming in for its share, of course, among the practical plans of our Union. It seemed necessary for me to leave early in the afternoon, thus missing some splendid things to follow. "Loyalty to Our Campaign" was discussed by Mrs. Lasater; "How to Increase Spirituality in Our Missionary Meetings" was Mrs. Floyd Moore's subject; "How to Enlist Women in W. M. U. Work" was the ever-present theme of another talk.

Miss U. S. Small, of Mulberry, led the afternoon devotional hour to the profit of all. I was glad not to miss that.

The delicious lunch was enjoyed and the spring flowers, so beautiful, made the church attractive.

I trust Wm. Carey Associational Union will form the quarterly meeting habit. These gatherings have great value because of the fellowship information and inspiration of the programs. M. B.

The women of Unity Association met at Bolivar April 18, with Mrs. W. G. Bailey Vice-President of West

Division, with them. The Superintendent, Mrs. Mays, writes they divided the Association into five districts, with a leader for each. Mrs. A. L. Jerengan, of Hornsby, No. 1; Mrs. Frank Davis, Bolivar, No. 2; Mrs. Effie Sasser Middleton, No. 3; Mrs. Castleberry, Bolivar, No. 4; Mrs. E. G. Saunders, Stantonville, No. 5; Mrs. John Parron, Bolivar, Y. W. A. leader; Mrs. Sturgis, Bolivar, Mission Study Chairman; Mrs. F. L. Simpson, Middleton Person Service chairman.

The next meeting will be held at Selmer, July 18.

We rejoice in this forward movement in Unity and trust each of these leaders will do her best.

M. B.

A WORD OF WELCOME TO SOUTHERN BAPTISTS FROM THE CHAIRMEN OF THE COMMITTEES ON HOSPITALITY

By E. H. Paxon, Jacksonville, Fla.

Jacksonville Baptists are anticipating a large attendance of Southern Baptists in our city, May 17 to 22. All indications point to a great Convention. The local Committees are all functioning in a fine way and the people of Jacksonville of all creeds and none, are interested in the coming Baptist host.

The Billy Sunday Tabernacle, where the Convention will hold its session and the Duval Armory, where the women meet, are being put in the pink of condition.

Mr. Chas. G. Day, chairman of Hotel Reservations, with headquarters at the Seminole Hotel, is busy on the job day and night. All persons wishing reservations at hotels should write Mr. Day.

Mrs. Mamie Webster, 306 W. Church Street, is chairman of Reservations in Boarding Houses.

Entertainment in private homes is in charge of Mrs. J. C. Murchinson, 1614 Oak Street.

Mr. J. B. Pound, Seminole Hotel, is chairman of Banquets. All parties wishing to have a banquet during the session of the Jacksonville Convention should address Mr. Pound.

Mrs. B. W. Blount, 848 Riverside Ave., is chairman of Woman's Work. Mrs. Blount reports that her organization is complete and prospects fine for a large W. M. U. delegation.

Mr. J. F. Horne, Professional Bldg., is chairman of Exhibits.

Side trips are being arranged by Rev. B. F. Green, South Jacksonville.

Those interested in arrangements in any of these departments will please take note of the persons and addresses as given above.

Everything is being done for the comfort of our guests and the success of the Convention that can be anticipated. If the weather should be warmer than the delegates are accustomed to have at this season of the year further north, it will be remembered that in Florida, we have ocean and gulf breezes and the finest beach in all the world is within a few miles of Jacksonville and bathing and open air outings are the glory of early Summer in Florida.

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HOSPITAL HAPPENINGS

M. D. JEFFRIES, Pastor
Memphis, Tenn.

The matter which the management of the hospital wishes impressed on the mind of the public just now is that they have now the room for patients, the lack of which has embarrassed the work for some time past. The patronage is heavy as heretofore, but since the nurses have moved from the hospital to their new home, this additional space is being made available for patients. From now on there will be no need that a patient who wishes to come to the Baptist Hospital should be taken elsewhere. The fifth floor, east wing, is now being brought into use, as demand arises, and the east wing of the third floor will be occupied as needed.

We wish to announce also that there is room in the Training School for more pupil nurses. There are now on the roll 119 and probations are coming in almost every week. But the 1922 class are finishing their work and taking up work as graduate nurses. A half dozen are finishing this month. Some who come to be tried out as probationers do not measure up to the standard and drop out. Not only is it needful to keep the figures up to what they are now, but it is very much desired that the number go to 150 right away. Send applications to Miss Archer, Superintendent of Nurses.

It is becoming an established custom to have commencement exercises for Nurse Schools on Florence Nightingale's birthday, the 12th of May. Announcement of our exercises for that date will be made later. The annual meeting of the Tennessee Medical Association was recently held in our city and there were hundreds of physicians from all parts of the State in attendance. It is interesting to watch the eagerness of the wide-awake doctor to get every worthwhile suggestion which will add to his skill in bringing relief and healing to those to whom he ministers in his profession. We had large clinics, in connection with the association, at the Baptist hospital, as many as forty operations in a single day.

We were glad to have with us as a visitor a short time ago, Rev. Dr. M. P. Hunt, of Louisville, Ky. For

some years he has been promoting the Kentucky Baptist Hospital. The world war caused the matter to be in abeyance for a time, but funds are coming in, Dr. Hunt tells, in sufficient amount to encourage active work in erecting buildings. He was out on a tour of inspection picking up important points in hospital construction. He says he got many good points in conference with our management. Work is to begin before long in the erection of buildings on the lot in Louisville which was purchased some years ago.

HARRY D. CLARK COMMENDED

By W. C. Reeves.

Please allow me space to say a word concerning brother Harry D. Clark, who is now assisting our church as a singer and personal worker. Our people are saying that they have never heard any man with a better voice or a better spirit of service. I have not met a better leader of congregational singing. He is a Baptist and has united with our church here. His former headquarters have been Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, where for a number of years he has been a member of the Practical Work Department. He will accept engagements in the South if offered. He has an open date following the close of our meeting here, May 1. I offer this in the hope of helping some church to find a man needed.

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Belmont Heights: Geo. L. Hale, pastor. "What, Then Will You Do With Jesus," and "Bonus of Four." In SS, 302; in BYPU, 51; received for baptism, 17; by letter, 2. The revival starts with great promise. Carl M. Cambron is in charge of the music.

Calvary: W. H. Vaughn, pastor. "Giving" and "Soul Winning." In SS, 133; in BYPU, 24.

Centennial: L. P. Royer, pastor. L. A. Gupton spoke on "The Seventy-Five Million" and "The Last Opportunity." In SS, 143; in BYPU, 244; in Jr. 16; by letter, 1. Fine day at Concord forenoon and afternoon.

Edgefield: W. M. Wood, D.D., pastor. "The Race" by I. J. Van Ness, D.D., and "Before and After Pentecost" by H. C. Moore, D.D. In SS, 420; in BYPU, 52; in Jr. 22; in Intermediate, 20. The pastor is at Adairsville, Ky., holding a series of meetings.

First: W. F. Powell, pastor. "The Call to the Colors" and "Back to Bethel." In SS, 1,259; 6 additions; 14 professions.

Grace: T. C. Singleton, pastor. "Supplying the Lord's Need" and "The Gospel's Appeal to an Honest Man." In SS, 308; in BYPU, 24; in Jr. No. 1, 38; in Jr. No. 2, 14. Pastor resigned to accept call to Gallatin, Tenn., entering upon the new field June 1.

Gallatin: No preaching. In SS, 190. Went over the top in the 75 Million Campaign.

Grandview: Don Q. Smith, pastor. "Lapping As a Dog Lappeth" and "How To Be Saved." In SS, 287; in BYPU, 30; in Jr. 20.

Immanuel: Ryland Knight, pastor. "The Place Awaiting the Boy" and "Growth Through Obedience." In SS, 407; by letter 6; statement, 1; baptism, 2; baptized, 1. Boys chorus at morning service.

Judson Memorial: Clarence F. Clark, pastor. "The Commendation of the Faithful" and "Seven Crowns." In SS, 271; in BYPU, 74. Received \$1,000 during day for 75 Million Campaign.

Lockeland: J. C. Miles, pastor. "Cooperation in Soul-Winning" and "Behold I Stand at the Door and Knock." In SS, 333; in BYPU, 20; in Jr. 22; in Intermediate, 24; by letter, 1; professions, 3. The meeting continues through this week. Interest increases and the outlook is good.

North Edgefield: A. W. Duncan, pastor. "Conditions of Gaining a Deep Knowledge of Christianity" and "Satan's Proposed Compromise." In SS, 300; in BYPU's 68; baptized, 15; professions, 3; by statement, 1.

Park Avenue: A. M. Nicholson, pastor. "True Worship" and "Covered Sins." In SS, 249; in BYPU No. 1, 17; No. 2, 20; in Intermediate, 25; in Jr. 45; baptized, 2.

Seventh: Edgar W. Barnett, pastor. "The Three S's Of Jesus" and "The Great Salvation." In SS, 267; in BYPU, 21; received for baptism, 10; by letter, 1; professions, 19. Brother McPherson preached at both hours. Meeting continues through the week.

Third: C. D. Creasman, pastor. "Ministering" and "What the Bible Really Teaches About Baptism." In SS, 434; in BYPU, 39; in Jr. 51; re-

ceived for baptism, 4; baptized, 2; by letter, 1; professions, 4. Two fine audiences.

CHATTANOOGA.

Central: W. L. Pickard, pastor. "Measuring Up" and "The Blessed Dead In the Lord." In SS, 404; in BYPU, 43; received by letter, 1.

Rossville: J. B. Tallant, pastor. "Ye Are the Light of the World" and "Follow Me." In SS, 335; baptized, 1; received by letter, 1.

Red Bank: J. A. Maples, pastor. Morning, by Hon. Boyd Hargraves. "The S. S. Work and Its Power" and "Taking Up the Cross and Following Christ." In SS, 380. Good day for all; raised quota for campaign.

Oak Grove: G. W. Phillips supplied. In SS, 150; in BYPU 25.

First: Jno. W. Inzer, pastor. "His Day and Generation" and "Volunteer," by Harry Clark, and "How God Calls," by pastor. In SS, 740; baptized, 2; received by letter, 1. Evening service 40 young people ready to serve where God calls; 5 definite in the call and surrendered; 2 to preach, and 3 missionaries.

North Chattanooga: W. S. Keese, pastor. "The Child in the Midst" and "Baptism." In SS, 187; received by letter, 2. Meeting of men Friday evening of this week.

Ridgedale: W. E. Davis, pastor. "Being Tested" and "Reproof and Sudden Destruction." In SS, 190. Fine B. Y. P. U. Good round up for 75 Million.

Chamberlain Ave.: G. T. King, pastor. "Labor and Wages," preaching in evening by Dr. Blanchard, "Prayer." In SS, 134.

Tabernacle: T. W. Callaway, pastor. "Ye Have Left Your First Love," preaching in the evening by Dr. Calvin B. Waller, "Mission of Church." In SS, 516; received by letter, 2.

Avondale: W. R. Hamic supplied. "Responsibility" and "The Cross." In SS, 444.

St. Elmo: U. S. Thomas, pastor. preached both services. In SS, 508; baptized, 3; received by letter, 1.

Woodland Park: J. N. Poe, pastor. "Experience of Grace" In SS, 158; received, 1; for baptism, 1.

E. Chattanooga: J. N. Bull, pastor. "Knowing Our True Character" and in the evening by J. N. Monroe, "The Will of the Father." In SS, 368; baptized, 5; received by letter, 6.

East Lake: W. A. Moffitt, pastor. "If Christ Should Come Today?" and "The Great Solution." In SS, 231.

KNOXVILLE

Bell Avenue: J. Allen Smith, pastor. "The Wall of a Lost Soul" and "A Dialog Beyond Life's River." 1025 in SS. 14 baptized, 12 by letter. Received 9 for baptism.

Etowah First: A. F. McMahan, pastor. Preaching at both hours. 702 in SS. 12 baptized, 1 by letter. Went over the top in 75 Million.

Glenwood Church: Fifth Sunday Meeting. Preaching by the following, Rev. J. A. Lockhart, Rev. C. P. Jones, Rev. W. L. Clark, Rev. J. C. Shipe, W. M. Thomas and Rev. S. G. Wells. In SS. 76. The ladies of the church

furnished a splendid dinner at the church Saturday, which was enjoyed by all.

Washington Pike: J. A. Lockhart, pastor. "A Three-Sided Motto" and "Three Great Powers." 112 in SS. 40 in BYPU.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church: J. H. Henderson, pastor. Morning Text Is. 50: 7. Night, Josh. 7: 25. In SS, 225.

South Knoxville: M. E. Miller, pastor. In SS, 339; in BYPU, 148. Pastor preached morning and evening.

New Hopewell: R. E. Rule, pastor. No preaching in morning. Evening subject, "Benefits Derived from Service." Splendid SS.

Immanuel: A. R. Pedigo, pastor. "Failure's and the Remedy," and "Ears and No Ears." In SS, 215.

Smithwood: Chas. P. Jones, pastor. 163 in SS. By letter 3. "In Fashion With the World—In Favor With God" and "Saving the Home Folks."

Lonesdale: Preaching by the pastor at both services. "Who Is On the Lords Side," and "Confessing Christ." 515 enrolled and 515 present in SS. 36 received by baptism. 62 baptisms in all. 14 by letter. 162 in BYPU.

Central of Bearden: Robt. Humphreys, pastor. "Giving," and Amos 4: 12, "Prepare to Meet Thy God." 123 in SS.

Lincoln Park: L. W. Clark, pastor. "Companionship" and "The Object of the Gospel." In SS, 276; in BYPU, 63.

Fountain City: Neil Acuff, pastor. "Temperance" and "What is Man?" 180 in SS.

Dameron Avenue: C. J. Burnett, pastor. Preaching in morning by pastor, subject Isaiah 6: 8. Preaching in evening by D. P. Brannan, theme 2 Cor. 5: 20. 30 in SS.

Central of Fountain City: J. C. Shipe, pastor. "The Abundant Life" and "The Leadership of Jesus." 295 in SS. 90 in BYPU. Fine congregations.

Inskip: W. M. Thomas, pastor. "Behold He Cometh with a Cloud" and "Joyful Praise." 117 in SS. 27 in BYPU.

Oakwood: R. E. Grimsley, pastor. "Prayer" and "Marching Orders." 331 in SS; 100 in BYPU; 2 baptized; 171 Bibles in SS.

Fifth Avenue: Preaching by the pastor. "The Joy of Temptation" and "The Challenge of the Brave." Luke 16: 24. 725 in SS. 2 additions.

Grove City: D. W. Lindsay, pastor. "Working in God's Vineyard" and "The Sufficiency of Revelation." 230 in SS; 1 baptized; 40 in BYPU.

Sevierville: R. E. Corum, pastor. "The Higher Rock" and "The Dilly Dally Tool." In SS, 300.

Gillespie Avenue: J. K. Smith, pastor. "The Second Commandment," and "The Call and Response to Service." 292 in SS.

MEMPHIS.

Binghamton: Carl Monroe O'Neal, pastor. Revival progressing nicely under leadership of Evangelist J. B. DeGarmo and daughters, Misses Helen and Florence, soloist and accompanist. Many professions of faith and 4 additions to church. Mass meeting for men at 3 p.m. In SS, 235; baptized, 5.

Rowan Memorial: A. H. Smith, pastor. In SS, 229; received by letter, 4; for baptism, 4.

Central Avenue: W. L. Smith, pastor. In midst of revival with pastor doing the preaching. In SS, 135.

Charleston: O. A. Utley, pastor. Brother Gilliam at 11 a.m. and Brother Smith at 3 p.m. In SS, 178.

New So., Memphis: W. L. Norris, pastor. "Friends of Jesus" and "God Seeking a Man." Excavation for basement new church begun. By letter, 4.

Highland Heights: Dr. Oxford is doing good preaching. In SS, 207; additions, 12.

Boulevard: Brother E. H. Marriner, of Humboldt, preached three times. In SS, 305; by letter, 6; baptisms, 28. Baptized to date, 53.

Union Avenue: Services conducted by E. S. P'Pool. Approved for baptism, 6; by letter, 5; baptized, 9. Baptisms to date, 67.

Prescott Memorial: Rev. John T. Oakley preached. "The Bible" and "Jesus of Galilee." In SS, 212; in 3 Unions, 84. Additions to date, 26.

Baptist Hospital: Pastor Jeffries preached at Centre Hill, Miss.

Temple: J. Carl McCoy, pastor. Both services in charge of Evangelists J. A. Scott and C. C. Elsey. In SS, 475; by letter, 10; for baptism, 28. Additions since last report, 38.

First: A. U. Boone, pastor. Dr. Wm. Russell Owen, of Macon, Ga., preached J. W. Jelks leading songs. In SS, 884; by letter, 16; baptized, 10. Approved for baptism, 40.

Central: Pastor preached morning and night. In SS, 109; for baptism, 3; by letter, 2; baptized, 5.

Hollywood: J. P. Neel, pastor. Evangelist J. A. Maples preached at both services. In SS, 177; for baptism, 6; by letter, 6.

Seventh Street: I. N. Strother, pastor. Services conducted by Brother M. E. Ward. In SS, 237. Received to date in revival, 8 for baptism and 2 by letter.

Speedway Terrace: J. O. Hill, pastor. Brother Wayne Alliston, pastor Water Valley, Miss., preached. In SS, 146; for baptism, 4; by letter, 7.

CLARKSVILLE.

Kenwood: A. L. Bates, pastor. Meeting began, G. G. Graber, preaching.

New Providence: A. L. Bates, pastor. Night, "Tempted to An Upward Fall." George Fort, of First Church, in morning.

First: W. C. Reeves, pastor. Two weeks' meeting closed with splendid results. Church recommends Harry D. Clark, of Moody Institute, to pastors needing a revival helper. In SS, 531; in Baraca Class, 175. W. D. Hudgins, Milton and Miss Bess Acree conducting S. S. Institute this week.

Erin: B. McNatt, pastor. Fifth Sunday meeting. G. G. Graber in morning; Mrs. W. W. Russell, W. M. U. superintendent, and BYPU's from Little West Fork and Clarksville in afternoon. BYPU organized. Pastor at night. By confession, 1. Next fifth Sunday at Little Hope.

Spring Creek: A. L. Bates supplied in morning. Good SS and BYPU. Over top in 75 Million Campaign.

MISCELLANEOUS

Johnson City, Central reports 888 in SS. Our revival continues with great power. So far 174 have united with the church.

Dunlap: Owing to a revival in the Methodist church at this place in which Pastor Stanfield is assisting, there was no service at the preaching hour Sunday, at the Baptist church. A part of the Sunday School hour was taken up for the purpose of receiving members as a result of the revival.

Twenty-six were taken in for baptism and six by letter. 174 in SS and we are working hard to reach the 200 mark.

Dickson: N. S. Jackson, pastor. Good day. 4 conversions at morning hour, 4 for baptism. Since coming on the field in March, 13 new members have been added in regular services. 8 by baptism, 5 by letter. Church has added additional equipment, including new high grade piano. SS growing. Campaign round up on church will send pastor to convention.

Jackson, Second Church: Pastor Cox preached. "The City That Hath Foundations" and "Mt. Moriah, the Mount of Sacrifice." One addition; two baptized, five congregations. In SS, 552. Prayer meeting in morning about campaign. Hard at work.

Dyersburg: F. J. Harrell, pastor. "A Cast Away" and "The Pavement to Hell." In SS, 353; BYPU, 26; Jr. BYPU, 55; T. E. L. class, 71; Men's class, 82; for baptism, 10. Since our last report we have had 31 additions, 5 by letter, 26 for baptism. The meeting is still going and growing in interest.

Humboldt: E. H. Marriner, pastor. Rev. J. D. Moore, editor of the Baptist and Reflector preached. "Unchangeable Character" and "Your Successor." In SS, 343; BYPU, 80; for baptism, 7

Lenoir City: A. B. Johnson, pastor. "A Bunch of Golden Keys." Rev. W. H. Wodlington preached at night on "Christ—the Way."

Mine City: D. A. Webb, pastor. "A Vision of Our Duty" and "Good Works." In SS, 222.

Maryville, First: J. R. Johnson, pastor. Pastor preached at both hours and also at Union School in afternoon. In SS, 620.

REVIVAL IN ALEXANDRIA, LA.

By A. J. Barton.

Calvary Baptist Church, Alexandria, Louisiana, has just closed a very gracious revival. We had with us to do the preaching, Reverend George W. Clarke, D.D., of Lake Charles. Dr. Clarke met the expectations of all, proving himself to be a clear, strong, forceful gospel preacher. He won a great place in the hearts of the members of Calvary Church and of our people at large. The singer was Mr. W. L. Saxon, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Mr. Saxon rendered us fine service both as soloist and as a chorus leader. These two brethren will always receive a warm welcome at Calvary.

Counting some that joined on the first Sunday night when the pastor preached and the last night when Mr. Harry L. Strickland spoke the meeting resulting in 71 accessions to the Church, 41 on profession of faith to be baptized, 25 by letter and five on statement. On the whole it was a most satisfactory meeting in which God's people were much refreshed and the community received a deep religious impression and extensive religious impression and extensive religious impression and extensive religious impression.

Calvary Church is only a little over a year old but now has a membership of 428. It is situated in the heart of the great residential district of the city. It has increasingly bright prospects and is growing rapidly both in numbers and in spiritual vision and power.

TITHING PROPOSITIONS

By Willis C. Furr.

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FROM THE CONCORD MODERATOR

C. W. Baird.

We are closing out our third year of the 75,000,000 Campaign in Concord Association with good prospects of meeting our obligations fully. I spent last Sunday with Gladesville Church in the morning at Mt. Juliet at night with good congregations and good interest at each place. Everyone seemed anxious to meet their pledge.

At Mt. Juliet Mrs. Grace Goodall added three members to the campaign pledge in the person of her three little children. The three little ones paid seven dollars into the Campaign.

15,000 YOUNG BAPTISTS VOLUNTEER FOR SERVICE.

While Southern Baptists have contributed two or three times as much money to their general work of missions, education and benevolence since the 75 Million Campaign projected as they ever did for any similar period of time theretofore, there have come spiritual results, also, that are equally gratifying. Among these is the action of over 15,000 Baptist young people, in dedicating their lives to some special form of Christian service, it is announced by the Campaign headquarters.

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"Satan dreads nothing but prayer — The Church that lost its Christ was full of good works. Activities are ousted, and organizations are increased that prayer may have no chance. Souls may be lost in good works, as surely as in evil ways. The one concern of the devil is, to keep the saints from praying. He fears nothing from prayerless study, prayerless work, prayerless religion. He laughs at our toil, mocks our wisdom, BUT TREMBLES WHEN WE PRAY. — S. Chadwick.

AMONG THE BRETHREN

Fleetwood Hall, Lexington

Rev. Joe Jennings, of Parsons, Tenn., revoices that his church went over the top with one-half of the pledge to the 75 Million Campaign last Sunday. Brother Jennings has been called to the care of Sardis Ridge church, has accepted and organized a Sunday school there last Sunday. He will preach there the fourth Sunday afternoon in each month.

Rev. R. J. Williams, of Newbern, Tenn., began a meeting in Birmingham, Ala., Sunday, April 23rd, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. He had good crowds at both morning and evening services, with good prospects of a great victory.

Rev. W. C. Boone of the First church, Owensboro, Ky., is rejoicing over the opening of the magnificent new church building for use. The building is three stories high, 64 feet wide and 130 feet long, and will accommodate a Sunday school of more than a thousand. The total cost is about \$70,000. It is pronounced by experts to be the most complete plant of its kind in the South.

Rev. J. G. Cooper of Buena Vista, Tenn., is to assist Rev. W. L. King of Persons, Tenn., in a revival at Tom's Creek church near Denson's Landing, Tenn., beginning the third Sunday in July. They held a great meeting with that church last summer.

Evangelist J. B. De Garmo, who for several years has had headquarters in Blue Mountain, Miss., has moved to Memphis, Tenn., which will hereafter be his address. He is at present assisting Rev. C. M. O'Neal in a meeting with Binghampton church, Memphis.

Will Emmitt, aged twelve, son of

Rev. Clarence E. Azebill and wife of Carrier Mills, Ill., died in a hospital at Harrisburg, Ill., Sunday, April 23. He was a bright Christian boy, having been a member of the church for a year. The body was brought to Lexington, Tenn., Tuesday for burial. It was the writer's sad duty to hold the memorial service.

The First Church, Savannah, Ga., is enjoying the ministry of Dr. D. W. Key as supply until a permanent pastor can be located.

A great meeting is just closed at Russellville, Ky., in which Dr. Henry Alford Porter of the Second Church, Atlanta, Ga., assisted Dr. W. W. Landrum. What a team they made in the Lord's work!

Dr. B. A. Bowers of Broadway Church, Knoxville, Tenn., is being assisted by Rev. John W. Ham and party of Tabernacle church, Atlanta, Georgia, in what is proving a most gracious revival. Immediately at the close of the Knoxville engagement Brother Ham goes to assist in a meeting at Curtis street Church, Augusta, Georgia.

Rev. J. F. Singleton, of Iftzgerald, Georgia, has been called to the care of the church at Lawrenceville, Ga., and it is thought he will accept. Rev. Frank L. Hardy of Newman, Ga., is assisting Rev. S. A. Cowan in a revival at Inman Park church, Atlanta, Ga., which has already resulted in 98 additions and is growing in interest.

The death of Dr. James C. McManaway, aged 68 years, one of the most useful and honored Baptist ministers, brings sadness to many hearts. He was a native of Virginia and labored

chiefly in that state. His burial occurred in Charlottesville, Va.

Dr. Len G. Broughton of Grove Avenue church, Richmond, Va., is taking a brief respite from his strenuous activities, and spending the time in the mountains of East Tennessee. Dr. T. B. Ray of the Foreign Mission Board supplied for him.

The Fifth Sunday meeting of Beech River Association held at Piney Creek church near Lexington, Tenn., was a decided success. Revs. W. F. Boren, Joe Jennings, D. E. Blankenship, E. S. Garner, W. L. King, J. G. Cooper, T. C. Jowers, L. T. Covington, J. T. Bradford and the writer were the preachers present. A number of laymen from various churches were in attendance. From the introductory sermon on Friday night by Rev. L. T. Carrington, to the missionary sermon on Sunday by Rev. J. G. Cooper, the exercises were highly profitable.

Rev. I. S. Hicks has resigned as pastor at Elkville, Ill., effective May 1st. He is one of the stronger ministers in Southern Illinois.

Rev. D. F. Marlin filled his first appointment as pastor at Union City, Tennessee on April 16th, and has been given a royal welcome by that splendid church. He concluded a pastorate of six years at Carmi, Ill. The brotherhood in Tennessee will give him a hearty admission into fellowship as genial as can be found anywhere.

Rev. H. Boyce Taylor of Murray, Ky., pastor of the wonderful church there, will leave the latter part of May for a visit of four months to the Southern Baptist mission stations of Brazil. His brother, Rev. W. C. Taylor, is a missionary at Pernambuco, and Dean of the Theological Department of the Baptist Seminary of North Brazil. We will await with interest Boyce Taylor's comments on conditions as he finds them.

Dr. A. Y. Napier and wife, who for seventeen years have been missionaries in China, have been at home on a furlough several months that his wife might regain lost health. It now appears that physicians advise that they do not return at all and Dr. Napier will be available for pastoral service.

Dr. W. M. Wood of Edgfield church, Nashville, Tenn., was effective in recent labors of a revival with Rev. J. T. Dougherty of Walnut street church, Owensboro, Ky. There were 29 additions, 22 by baptism. There have been 80 additions to the church since September 1st.

The dedication of the beautiful church at Parson's Tenn., of which Rev. Joe Jennings is pastor will occur on Sunday, May 7th. Dr. I. N. Penick of Jackson, who was largely instrumental in lifting off the debt during his eventful pastorate, has accepted an invitation to preach the sermon of the occasion.

Rev. W. R. Puckett of Covington, Tenn., will do the preaching in a revival for two weeks at Decaturville, Tenn., where Rev. W. L. King, of Parsons, Tenn., is pastor, beginning the second Sunday in September.

Home Circle

THE SWEETEST TIME O' YEAR

It's getting time o' year just now
when May swings into bloom,
And all the peach and apple trees are
reeking with perfume.
A panoramic glory gilds the morning
in the east,
With an iridescent glamor of a mighty
sumptuous feast.

The blackbird in the hollow and the
robin in the tree,
Are shouting hallelujahs up to heaven
and to me;
The forest trees are budding with a
freshness rich and rare,
And pronounce a benediction through
the blossom-scented air.

The south wind, in his rambles,
searches ev'ry shady nook,
And gathers sweetest perfume from
the blossoms by the brook.
The sun in gorgeous splendor smiles
upon the sprouting grain;
The flowers nodding to and fro are
welcoming the rain.

I love to hear the droning of the husky
bumble-bee,
As he tumbles through the meadow
in a muffled ecstasy.
I love to hear the ripple of the bust-
ling little rills,
And of the music of the breezes as
they kiss the daffodils.

There is something that is pleasing
ev'ry minute of the day,
When Maytime brings the blossoms
out and flaunts her banners gay.
All the glories of the season in a
single bunch appear
For the blossoming of nature is the
sweetest time of year.

It's a part of my religion I would
like to have you know,
That a loving smile's an antidote for
ev'ry human woe.
It's a trite and useful saying and its
secret I'll impart,
When your thoughts are with the
flowers there's no winter in the
heart.

—Bush Phillips, in *Outdoor Life*.

BOOKS FOR EVERY HOME

By William James Robinson, D.D.
"Ah! what would the world be to us
if the children were no more?
We should dread the desert behind us
Worse than the dark before."

Longfellow

A child is the embodiment of the
greatest possibilities of anything that
ever has or ever can be committed
to human hands for development.
Wedgewood took clay, that had long
been regarded as useless, and trans-
formed it into the most magnificent
tableware. The lapidary takes the
rough angular pebble, cuts away its
irregularities, polishes its facets and
beholds a gem for which kings will-
ingly give fabulous treasures of gold.
This was made possible by the Crea-
tor placing in the clay and pebble
qualities that respond to the touches
of genius. A normal child—yes, every
normal child—has in it greater possi-
bilities than all clay and pebbles com-
bined.

Many an humble home has nurtured
a child that in its maturity made the
world its stage and the nations its
auditors. The prattle that was so
precious to a mother's ears has be-
come the speech that thrilled the na-
tions with its eloquence or cadences
of song. The name given to a helpless
baby has often become a synonym for
all that was noble, and passing on
from generation to generation has
carried with it an ever increasing
floodtide of blessings. But, parents,
remember, that the child that has pos-
sibilities for blessing has equal possi-
bilities for cursing. The gun that has
power to slay game to make a feast
for its owner has power to slay him—
it all depends on the way it is point-
ing when it is fired.

The child's training, more than all
else, determines its character, talents,
career and destiny. Had Moses,
David, Milton, Spurgeon, Wesley or
any one of the world's great benefac-
tors been taken at birth and commit-
ted to Hottentots to rear they, too,
would have been Hottentots. There
is not the slightest reason to doubt
that as much genius has gone to waste,
through the ignorance of parents, as
has been utilized and possibly much
more. In many instances well mean-
ing but misguided parents have de-
stroyed the usefulness of their chil-
dren. How to develop to the best ad-
vantage a child's powers is a vital
question for parents.

Reading wisely tends to develop
one's latent powers. It is the best
possible means of gathering useful
facts. The parent who expects great
things of his child should begin early
to develop in the child an interest in
reading. To do this secure books
adapted to the age of the child.
Rhymes and meaningless jingles ap-
peal to little tots and develop an in-
terest in books. Fairy tales quicken
the imaginative powers of the child
and for this purpose are unsurpassed.
They appeal to the child because it
naturally lives in "a make believe
world."

God forbid that any thing I have
written or shall ever write should be
so construed as to in any sense de-
preciate the Bible. In addition to being
our only inspired book its stories,
poetry, history and proverbs are un-
surpassed in their appeal to chil-
dren. Any one who makes a fair test
of this will agree with me.

Each of the books I shall mention
have stood the test of years and rank
high among the very best of their kind.
Multitudes of children have been de-
lighted with them. They are vol-
umes that never grow old because
their message is so true to child na-
ture. The parents who use these
books wisely will enrich the childhood
of their children and fix in their minds
happy memories of home and make it
a shrine.

*Wild Animals Every Child Should
Know*, by Julia Ellen Rogers, is an ex-
cellent book for boys and girls ten
or more years old. Parents with im-
agination will find it excellent mat-
erial for animal stories. Kindergarten
children will delight to hear it read.
It belongs to the justly famous "Every
Child Should Know Series." The pub-
lishers are Grossett and Dunlap and
the price, one dollar, puts it in reach
of all.

World Stories Retold, by Dr. W. J.
Sly, is an old favorite at the head of
the list of books in its class. Here

are nearly two hundred renowned
stories that children delight to hear.
The collection embraces fables, folk-
tales, fairy tales, Greek mythology,
Bible stories, Christmas stories, ac-
counts of heroes of peace and war,
and famous anecdotes of boys and
girls who have become famous. The
stories are condensed, told in simple
language and wisely grouped. A sec-
tion of the book on the art of story
telling greatly increases the useful-
ness of the volume. This is just the
book the busy mother of young chil-
dren will find indispensable. The Jud-
son Press. Price \$1.50.

Fairy Tales and Stories, by Hans
Christian Anderson, has long been an
international favorite with all classes
of children. Many editions of this
volume have appeared, some splendid
ones too, and others not so good. The
Macmillan Company has recently pub-
lished an edition edited by Miss Signe
Toksvig, a Dane herself, who is eager
that American children should have
the tales with the spirit of the origi-
valuable preface by the editors and
nal. The Macmillan edition has a
many pictures by Eric Pape. This
edition belongs to "The Children's
Classic Series." Insist on having the
Macmillan edition. Price \$1.75.

*Alice in Wonderland; And Through
the Looking-Glass and What Alice
Found There*, by Lewis Carroll. The
illustrations are by Tenniel. The bind-
ing is excellent. Here we have two
wonderful volumes in one. For many
years these books have been great
favorites with parents, children and
educators. This book is rightly called
a classic for children. Many who are
now grandparents loved these books
in their childhood and have given them
to their children and grandchildren.
Insist on having the Macmillan edi-
tion. Price \$1.75.

PRAYER'S FIVE REASONS

The following is George Muller's
statement telling why he believed his
prayers for the unsaved must be an-
swered.

"First, I have had no shadow of
doubt in praying for their salvation,
knowing as I do that it is the Lord's
will they should be saved. For He
would have all men to be saved, and
to come unto the knowledge of the
truth' (1 Tim. 2: 4). 'And this is the
confidence that we have in Him, that
if we ask anything according to His
will, He heareth us' (1 John 5: 14).

"The second reason is, I have never
pleaded for their salvation in my own
name, but in the all-worthy name of
my precious Lord Jesus (John 14: 14),
that is, on the ground of His merit and
worthiness, and on that alone.

"The third reason is, I have always
believed in the ability and willingness
of God to answer my prayers. (Mark
11: 24.)

"The fourth reason is, that I have
not allowed myself in known sin, for
'If I regard iniquity in my heart, the
Lord will not hear me.' (Psalm 66:
18).

"The fifth reason is, that I have con-
tinued in believing prayer for over
fifty-two years, and shall so continue
until the answer is given. (Luke 18: 7.)
'Shall not God avenge His own elect,
which cry day and night unto Him?'"

Whenever the Lord showed George
Muller that it was His will he should
pray, he continued in prayer until the
answer came.

SMILES SELECTED

Son (ingratiatingly)—"I ain't say-
ing I ain't."

Old Dicky (severely)—"I ain't ask
you is you ain't; I ask you ain't you
is."

"Begorra, Mike, we can't go down
that road?"

"An' whoy not, Pat?"

"Sure, my bye, it says 'For Pedes-
trians Only,' an' we both be Olrish
men."

THE WAR GAME IN THE CHOIR

The high soprano started out
With naught her rush to stem.
And with a battle cry advanced
Upon "Jerusalem."
The alto met her on the road,
Engaged her in a "scrap."
The tenor on the double-quick
Came up to fill the gap.
Around the theatre of war
The steady basso boomed;
Then all of them fell to at once.
Jerusalem was doomed.
The city was about to fall,
Her glory proud to doff,
When higher powers intervened
And called the fighters off.

THE ANNUAL

When the soap is on the stairway and
the rugs are on the lawn,
And the paperhanger's coming while
the plasterer has gone,
When the men are all dejected and
are bothered with the blues,
While their wives are madly shuffling
in enormous overshoes,
O, the house is in a turmoil at the
very blush of dawn,
When the soap is on the stairway and
the rugs are on the lawn.

When the cullud lady's smashing all
the marble statuettes,
And the hardwood floors are ruined
by the roller-skating pets,
When the grand piano's damaged by
a can of color spilled
In its innermost recesses by a man
who should be killed,
O, it's then we see a picture never
painted, nay, nor drawn,
When the soap is on the stairway
and the rugs are on the lawn.

When you're eating from the gas
range and are sleeping in the hall,
And you sit down in the kalsomine
intended for the wall,
And the batter cakes are tinted with
a dash of indigo,
And your coffee tastes of benzine and
there's borax in the dough,
O, a broom will send you sidewise
like timid, startled fawn,
When the soap is on the stairway and
the rugs are on the lawn.

O, for somewhere east of Suez, where
the best is like the worst,
And a human habitation by house-
cleaning is not cursed!
For there's tumult in the attic, and
the cellar is a mess,
And you have to screen the windows
with a bureau when you dress,
And you have a very doubtful spring-
less cot to sleep upon,
When the soap is on the stairway and
the rugs are on the lawn.